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A method for database administration and replication, comprising the step of:
providing a database management system with an integrated random sampling facility;

selecting a default sample size value S ;
selectively receiving a desired sample size value D and setting said default value S to said desired sample size value D when said sample size value D is received;
randomly sampling S records of database using said random sampling facility; storing statistics for each of said S records, wherein said statistics include a record key for each record; and
producing at least one of:
an extrapolated replication analysis based on said statistics; and
a partial replication partition analysis based on said statistics.

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Attached please find the results of your Fast & Focused search request for application 09/897803. I searched Dialog's foreign patent files, technical databases, product announcement files and general files.

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Novel computational methods for drug design and discovery: Recursive partitioning analysis of pharmaceutical database, automated pharmacophore identification, and fast free-energy calculations

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This dissertation is composed of three parts. Each of them describes a new computational method specifically developed for assisting the rational drug design and discovery, either ligand-based or receptor-based.

Recursive partitioning is a powerful data mining technique and has been successfully applied to large chemical data sets like HTS data sets. however, the previous work was limited to 2D descriptors, while medicinal chemists believe that drug molecules exert their pharmaceutical functions in the three dimensions. So, reported here is my work extending the former recursive partitioning analysis 1 8 to the three dimensions, using 3D "atom" pairs as molecular descriptors. Correct 3D structure-activity relationships were successfully derived from a data set containing 1,644 monoamine oxidase inhibitors.

Based on the successful 3D recursive partitioning work, a novel computational program, SCAMPI (Statistical Classification of Activities of Molecules for Pharmacophore Identification), is developed for identifying pharmacophores from large chemical data sets. SCAMPI combines recursive partitioning and fast conformational search methods and make them dependent on each other in the pharmacophore identification process, by following the adaptive sampling strategy. The recursive partitioning algorithm implemented in SCAMPI belongs to the class of CHAID algorithms. The conformational search algorithm in SCAMPI is developed based on the "differential distance equation" algorithm. Presently, SCAMPI is able to derive pharmacophores from 1,000-2,000 compounds within one day of computation on a SGI R10000 machine.

For receptor-based drug design, a generalized linear response method is developed for facilitating the hydration and binding free energy calculations. This new method is based on the standard linear response approximation and extends it to the van der Waals contribution term. Compared with other linear response methods for free energy calculations, this method does not contain any new empirical parameters. This method has been tested for hydration and binding free energy calculations and demonstrated to provide the calculated results consistent with the experimental data in the both cases.

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DATA - BASED MATHEMATICAL MODELING: DEVELOPMENT AND APPLICATION (NEURAL NETWORKS, HIERARCHICAL ADAPTIVE RANDOM PARTITIONING)

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This research study presents the mathematical basis for building the MC-HARP data-processing environment. The MC-HARP strategy determines the functional structure and parameters of a mathematical model simultaneously. A Monte Carlo (MC) strategy combined with the concept of Hierarchical Adaptive Random **Partitioning** (HARP) and fuzzy subdomains **determines** the multivariate parallel distributed mappings. The constructed mapping can be modeled as a neural network. The HARP algorithm is based on a divide-and-conquer strategy that **partitions** the input space into **measurable** connected subdomains and builds a local approximation for the mapping task. Fuzziness promotes continuity of the mapping constructed by HARP and smooths the mismatching of the local approximations in the neighboring subdomains. The Monte Carlo superposition of a **sample** of random partitions, reduces the localized disturbances among the fuzzy subdomains, controls the global smoothness of the mean average mapping, and improves the generalization of the constructed mapping.

The tree structure of the HARP modules and the independence of both the subdomain approximations and the random partitions enable the MC-HARP environment to quickly converge to a series of equally plausible solutions without user interaction. The MC-HARP environment enjoys a large-scale granularity produced by the Monte Carlo parallelism and the geometric parallelism achieved by partitioning the input space. Therefore this environment can exhibit good performance on parallel computers for large and complex scientific **databases**.

The developed MC-HARP philosophy for building **data - based** approximate mappings leads to a novel model selection criterion and an original framework for classifying data-fitting problems. The MC-HARP environment not only can build approximate multivariate mappings with self-organization capability, noise and fault tolerance, adaptivity, generalization, highly plastic and stable learning characteristics with respect to the addition of new data points, and parallel structure but also can answer fundamental questions in **data - based** mathematical modeling. These questions include: (1) What is the confidence level for each predicted output of the constructed model? (2) What is the approximation confidence measure for the constructed model? (3) How does the functional complexity of the actual multivariate mapping change over the input space? (4) What is the suitable structural complexity for a **data - based** model using noisy data? (5) What is the level of noise in the data? (6) Is the amount of training data adequate? If not, which regions of the input space need more data? (7) Is the selected parametric model suitable? (8) What is the conditioning of a data-fitting problem? (9) Is **data - based** mathematical modeling promising for the given task?

The developed MC-HARP environment can support the diverse needs of the scientific and engineering community. It has the versatility to develop and verify parametric and nonparametric mathematical models and also global and local approximate mappings. Furthermore, It establishes an environment for unifying existing mathematical modeling techniques in **statistics**, approximation theory, information theory, system identification, and neural networks.

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**FUZZY CLUSTERING IN A PARTITIONED KARHUNEN-LOEVE TRANSFORM
DOMAIN-APPLICATION TO CHARACTERIZATION OF MULTIPLE-DIAGNOSIS VCG'S**
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Statistical pattern recognition techniques may be applied to cardiograms for automated diagnosis. The three vectorcardiographic signals in the Frank-orthogonal-lead system are expressed as truncated Karhunen-Loeve expansion in terms of a set of time-varying orthogonal basis vectors. These vectors are derived from the second-order **statistics** of the data. In addition to the basic formulation of the algorithm, an elegant proof of its minimizing property is presented.

An ensemble of 670 cardiograms is being used to train the algorithm, and the resulting pattern vectors are clustered in a multidimensional features space. Baseline restoration is first performed on the data using a true third-order spline technique for best $Y(t)$ -estimate of the baseline. Ordinates, Y , in the estimates are directly deducted from the P-Q interval of the waveform. The cardiogram is an ensemble of quasi-stationary processes; this is due to variations in both R-R and P-R intervals. As a feature extractor, the K-L expansion is optimal compared with Fourier-of performed on non-stationary processes. To achieve optimality, the heart is segmented (time partitioned) into two processes, namely the P-wave and QRST segment, and each segment is aligned on its fiducial point. The R-wave fiducial point is detected by searching the magnitude of the vector velocity for maxima. The P-wave fiducials are located via a new multitemplate correlation algorithm.

Two separate K-L expansions are performed on each process. An ensemble-global K-L expansion is performed on the P-processes, to compute the P-basis vectors. Further, the ensemble is partitioned (ensemble-partitioning) into three partitions: (1) Gross-abnormal: This is the partition of gross depolarization abnormalities in the QRS Complex (LBBB, RBBB, etc). (2) All-But-Gross: This is the partition of all other abnormalities. (3) QRS Suppressed: This is the partition of certain repolarization abnormalities and normals (ST, T, etc). A partition-global K-L expansion is then performed on the QRST process in each partition, yielding a set of K-L vectors for each. The underlying concept here is, since the class distribution probabilities are not known apriori, a much more efficient feature extractor would result if the ensemble is partitioned.

In addition, since the K-L expansion is optimal using the least mean square error criteria, and since the PQRST is heavily weighted by the QRS complex (energy wise), and to improve on classification accuracies in the post QRS segment, the waveform is time weighted (or QRS-Suppressed) before **computing** the **partition** base functions. This is accomplished by multiplying each time-varying **sample** of the partition by a weighting function. By suppressing the QRS, the basis vectors best represent repolarization classes.

The approach to the pattern recognition problem is hierarchical: (1) Find a first-cut classification of pattern vectors-using ensemble-global K-L expansion. (2) Pursue a much more accurate diagnosis/classification using partition-global K-L expansion.

To completely formulate the classification problem, the structure of the feature space is studied, using a fuzzy clustering algorithm with supervised seeding and class-dependent fuzziness. The underlying concept here is, since classes in the feature space are overlapping to various degrees, parametrization is best estimated using the fuzzy approach. This is an extremely innovative concept (compared with hard-clustering) in handling the following two problems: (1) It allows for slight misclassification errors on part of the Cardiologist (is the diagnosis 100% certain abnormality or is it 95% and 5% others?) (2) It gives quantitative measure of probabilities of each of a disease state in multiple-diagnosis vectorcardiograms. Probability measures are proportional to some membership function measures.

The clusterer described above is performed on a subset of the **data - base** that includes relatively nonempty sets of pure classes and one multiple diagnosis class. Members of the multiple diagnosis class are found to be best characterized as being cases with multiple membership functions to the adjacent pure classes, rather than being a class of their own.

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Sorting of textual data bases : a variety generation approach to distribution sorting.

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A method of sorting large textual data - bases by computer using external storage is proposed. The range of sort-keys in a sample of data to be sorted is divided into a fix set of partitions, which should also give an adequate representation of new data from a similar source. The partitions are composed of ordered key ranges. An incoming data stream is distributed into a series of bins according to the partition in which the key lies, and the bins are then separately sorted, using an internal sort, to give an ordered file. It is shown how the number of disc accesses needed depends on the manner in which the bins become filled, and thus on statistics of the data. Experiments using an inspec data - base give information on which estimates of the efficiency of the method can be based

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6471625 INSPEC Abstract Number: C2000-02-1250-059

Title: Evaluating a clustering solution: an application in the tourism market

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Abstract: Discusses the evaluation of a clustering solution. Criteria based on the number of clusters and discrimination and classification processes are used to evaluate the clustering solution. The proposed approach is based on two paradigms: statistics and machine learning. A multi-methodological approach is advocated in the construction of models associating properties with clusters, to provide a wider and richer set of analysis perspectives and better knowledge discovery. Specifically, the construction of classification and discrimination logical models as a complement of quantitative statistical models is particularly useful when most of the available information is of a qualitative nature. Both the classification's global precision and the comprehension added by the discriminant model to the association between variables and clusters are essential to evaluate a clustering solution. Depending on the dimension of

the **sample** , the descriptive **analysis** performed can be validated by **partitioning** the total **sample** into two or by other procedures of cross-validation. The proposed evaluation approach is applied to a marketing/tourism case study. The clustering solution is built upon a **sample** of more than 2,500 Portuguese clients of Pousadas Portugal Hotels. The **database** includes variables related to the evaluation of client stays at the Pousadas and profiles of the surveyed clients on holidays, demographic and psychographic aspects. Measures of association, chi /sup 2/ tests, ANOVA, discriminant analysis, logistic regression and rule induction are applied in evaluating the clustering solution built through a K-means process. (14 Refs)

Subfile: C

Descriptors: data mining; hotel industry; learning (artificial intelligence); marketing; pattern classification; pattern clustering; **statistical analysis**

Identifiers: clustering solution evaluation; tourism; marketing; cluster number; discrimination processes; classification processes; multivariate **statistics** ; machine learning; multi-methodological approach; analysis perspectives; knowledge discovery; logical models; global precision; variable-cluster association; **sample** dimension; descriptive analysis; **sample** partitioning; cross-validation; case study; Portuguese clients; Pousadas Portugal Hotels; client stays; holidays; demographic aspects; psychographic aspects; association measures; chi /sup 2/ tests; ANOVA; discriminant analysis; logistic regression; rule induction; K-means process

Class Codes: C1250 (Pattern recognition); C1290D (Systems theory applications in economics and business); C1140Z (Other topics in statistics); C1230L (Learning in AI)

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5090743 INSPEC Abstract Number: C9512-1220-017

Title: A Monte Carlo strategy for data - based mathematical modeling

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Abstract: Establishes the mathematical basis for building the MC-HARP data-processing environment. The MC-HARP strategy determines the functional structure and parameters of a mathematical model simultaneously. A Monte Carlo (MC) strategy combined with the concept of Hierarchical Adaptive Random **Partitioning** (HARP) and fuzzy subdomains **determines** the multivariate parallel distributed mapping. The HARP algorithm is based on a divide-and-conquer strategy that **partitions** the input space into **measurable** connected subdomains and builds a local approximation for the mapping task. Fuzziness promotes continuity of the mapping constructed by HARP and smooths the mismatching of the local approximations in the neighboring subdomains. The Monte Carlo superposition of a **sample** of random partitions reduces the localized disturbances among the fuzzy subdomains, controls the global smoothness of the mean average mapping, and improves the generalization of the approximation. The authors illustrate the procedure by applying it to a two-dimensional surface fitting problem. (23 Refs)

Subfile: C

Descriptors: approximation theory; divide and conquer methods; fuzzy logic; modelling; Monte Carlo methods; parallel algorithms; set theory; **statistical analysis**; surface fitting

Identifiers: Monte Carlo strategy; **data - based mathematical modeling**; MC-HARP data-processing environment; functional structure; mathematical model; hierarchical adaptive random partitioning; fuzzy subdomains; multivariate parallel distributed mapping; divide-and-conquer strategy;

local approximation; mapping task; fuzziness; global smoothness; mean average mapping; two-dimensional surface fitting problem

Class Codes: C1220 (Simulation, modelling and identification); C1140G (Monte Carlo methods); C4240P (Parallel programming and algorithm theory); C4210 (Formal logic); C1160 (Combinatorial mathematics); C4130 (Interpolation and function approximation); C1230 (Artificial intelligence)
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**Transposed-File Structures and Data-Manipulation Support for Statistical
-Data Editing and Subset Selection**

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Statistical analysis of large data sets often requires an initial data editing and preparation phase to check the validity of individual data items, check for consistency among related data, correct erroneous data, and supply (impute) values for missing data where possible. During this preparatory phase of **analysis**, it is often necessary to **partition** the data set into a number of subsets by logical selection and/or random-**sampling** techniques for purposes of hypothesis testing. This paper examines the data-management support required by these editing and subsetting operations in terms of lower-level data-manipulation functions and mappings between logical and physical data structures. Advantages of transposed data files for **statistical** applications are discussed in comparison with record-based structures. A specific self-describing transposed-file design is described in detail, with emphasis on representations of logical data structures commonly encountered in **statistical databases**. (ERA citation 08:043115)

Descriptors: **Statistics** ; Data Processing; Validation; Corrections; Mapping

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Iterative automated record linkage using mixture models

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The goal of record linkage is to link quickly and accurately records that correspond to the same person or entity. Whereas certain patterns of agreements and disagreements on variables are more likely among records pertaining to a single person than among records for different people, the observed patterns for pairs of records can be viewed as arising from a mixture of matches and nonmatches. Mixture model **estimates** can be used to **partition** record pairs into two or more groups that can be labeled as probable matches (links) and probable nonmatches (nonlinks). A method is proposed and illustrated that uses marginal information in the **database** to select mixture models, identifies sets of records for clerks to review based on the models and marginal information, incorporates clerically reviewed data, as they become available, into estimates of model parameters, and classifies pairs as links, nonlinks, or in need of further clerical review. The procedure is illustrated with five datasets from the U.S. Bureau of the Census. It appears to be robust to variations in record-linkage sites. The clerical review corrects classifications of some pairs directly and leads to changes in classification of others through reestimation of mixture models.

English Descriptors: **Statistical** estimation; Linear estimation;

Statistical regression; Paired comparison; Administrative document;

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Sampling theory; Fitting; Conditional **sampling**; Independence; Model

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Abstract: Vertical Partitioning of Object Oriented Databases (OODBs) is a difficult problem. In the present paper, we present simulated annealing (SA) approach for generating partitions which are suitable for asynchronous parallel processing of queries. We study two cost functions for SA and compare the resulted partitions with respect to irrelevant IO, % distribution of IO load for transactions across the processing nodes and the standard deviation of the partition sizes which determines the load balance in the asynchronous parallel query processing. The results are compared with one of the existing vertical partitioning algorithms. (Author abstract) 9 Refs.

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Identifiers: Vertical partitioning algorithms

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72 (COMPUTERS & DATA PROCESSING); 92 (ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS)

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7685911 INSPEC Abstract Number: C2003-08-6160-026

Title: Analysis of pre-computed partition top method for range top-k queries in OLAP data cubes
Author(s): Loh, Z.X.; Ling, T.W.; Ang, C.H.; Lee, S.Y.
Author Affiliation: Sch. of Comput., Nat. Univ. of Singapore, Singapore
Conference Title: Proceedings of the Eleventh International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management. CIKM 2002 p.60-7
Editor(s): Kalpakis, K.; Goharian, N.; Grossman, D.
Publisher: ACM, New York, NY, USA
Publication Date: 2002 **Country of Publication:** USA xiv+690 pp.
ISBN: 1 58113 492 4 **Material Identity Number:** XX-2003-00889
U.S. Copyright Clearance Center Code: 1 58113 492 4/2002/0011...\$5.00
Conference Title: ACM CIKM 2002, 11th International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management
Conference Sponsor: ACM
Conference Date: 4-9 Nov. 2002 **Conference Location:** Mclean, VA, USA
Language: English **Document Type:** Conference Paper (PA)
Treatment: Theoretical (T)
Abstract: In decision support systems, having knowledge on the top k

values is more informative and crucial than the maximum value. Unfortunately, the naive method involves high computational cost and the existing methods for range-max querying are inefficient if applied directly. We propose a pre-computed partition top method (PPT) to partition the data cube and pre-store a number of top values for improving query performance. The main focus of this study is to find the optimum values for two parameters, i.e., the partition factor (b) and the number of pre-stored values (r), through an analytical approach. A cost function based on Poisson distribution is used for the analysis. The analytical results obtained are verified against simulation results. It is shown that the PPT method outperforms other alternative methods significantly when proper b and r values are used. (14 Refs)

Subfile: C

Descriptors: data mining; **database** management systems; decision support systems; performance evaluation; query processing

Identifiers: precomputed partition top method analysis; range top k queries; OLAP data cubes; decision support systems; range-max query; data cube partitioning; Poisson distribution based cost function; PPT method; online analytical processing; search space reduction; query algorithm; physical storage method; decision making environment; LPC

Class Codes: C6160 (Database management systems (DBMS)); C7102 (Decision support systems); C6130 (Data handling techniques)

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DIALOG(R)File 2:INSPEC

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7012612 INSPEC Abstract Number: C2001-09-6160Z-031

Title: Improving temporal joins using histograms

Author(s): Slitzmann, I.; Stuckey, P.J.

Author Affiliation: Dept. of Comput. Sci. & Software Eng., Melbourne Univ., Parkville, Vic., Australia

Conference Title: Database and expert systems applications. 11th International Conference, DEXA 2000. Proceedings (Lecture Notes in Computer Science Vol.1873) p.488-98

Editor(s): Ibrahim, M.; Kung, J.; Revell, N.

Publisher: Springer-Verlag, Berlin, Germany

Publication Date: 2000 Country of Publication: Germany xix+1003 pp.

ISBN: 3 540 67978 2 Material Identity Number: XX-2001-01532

Conference Title: Database and Expert Systems Applications. 11th International Conference, DEXA 2000. Proceedings

Conference Date: 4-8 Sept. 2000 Conference Location: London, UK

Language: English Document Type: Conference Paper (PA)

Treatment: Practical (P)

Abstract: Histograms are used in most commercial **database** systems to estimate query result sizes and evaluation plan costs. They can also be used to optimize join algorithms. The authors consider how to use histograms to improve the join processing in temporal **databases**. We define histograms for temporal data and a temporal join algorithm that makes use of this histogram information. The join algorithm is a temporal partition-join with dynamic buffer allocation. Histogram information is used to **determine partition boundaries** that maximize overall buffer usage. We compare the performance of this join algorithm to temporal join evaluation strategies that do not use histograms, such as a partition-based algorithm based on **sampling** and a partition-join using the Time Index, an index structure for temporal data. The results demonstrate that the temporal partition-join is substantially improved through the incorporation of histogram information, showing significantly better performance than the **sampling** based algorithm and achieving equivalent performance to the Time Index join without requiring an index. (12 Refs)

Subfile: C

Descriptors: data structures; optimisation; query processing; relational algebra; temporal **databases**

Identifiers: temporal joins; commercial **database** systems; query result size estimation; evaluation plan costs; join algorithms; join processing; temporal **databases**; temporal data; temporal join algorithm; histogram

information; temporal partition-join; dynamic buffer allocation; partition boundaries; overall buffer usage; temporal join evaluation strategies; partition-based algorithm; partition-join; Time Index; index structure; **sampling** based algorithm

Class Codes: C6160Z (Other DBMS); C4210 (Formal logic); C6160D (Relational databases); C4250 (Database theory); C1180 (Optimisation techniques); C6120 (File organisation)

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7011437 INSPEC Abstract Number: C2001-09-4250-015

Title: Parallelizing the data cube

Author(s): Dehne, F.; Eavis, T.; Hambrusch, S.; Rau-Chaplin, A.

Author Affiliation: Carleton Univ., Ottawa, Ont., Canada

Conference Title: Database Theory - ICDT 2001. 8th International Conference. Proceedings (Lecture Notes in Computer Science Vol.1973) p. 129-43

Editor(s): Van den Bussche, J.; Vianu, V.

Publisher: Springer-Verlag, Berlin, Germany

Publication Date: 2001 Country of Publication: Germany x+449 pp.

ISBN: 3 540 41456 8 Material Identity Number: XX-2001-00112

Conference Title: Proceedings of 8th International Conference on Database Theory

Conference Sponsor: Eur. Union; Eur. Res. Consortium for Inf. & Math

Conference Date: 4-6 Jan. 2001 Conference Location: London, UK

Language: English Document Type: Conference Paper (PA)

Treatment: Theoretical (T)

Abstract: This paper presents a general methodology for the efficient parallelization of existing data cube construction algorithms. We describe two different partitioning strategies, one for top-down and one for bottom-up cube algorithms. Both partitioning strategies assign subcubes to individual processors in such a way that the loads assigned to the processors are balanced. Our methods reduce inter-processor communication overhead by partitioning the load in advance; they enable code reuse by permitting the use of existing sequential data cube algorithms for the subcube computations on each processor. This supports the transfer of optimized sequential data cube code to a parallel setting. The bottom-up partitioning strategy balances the number of single attribute external memory sorts made by each processor. The top-down strategy partitions a weighted tree in which weights reflect algorithm specific cost **measures** like **estimated** group-by sizes. Both **partitioning** approaches can be implemented on any shared disk type parallel machine. Experimental results presented show that our partitioning strategies generate a close to optimal load balance between processors. (27 Refs)

Subfile: C

Descriptors: **database** theory; optimisation; parallel algorithms; query processing

Identifiers: data cube query; parallel processing; partitioning; top-down cube algorithm; bottom-up cube algorithm; optimisation

Class Codes: C4250 (Database theory); C4240P (Parallel programming and algorithm theory); C1180 (Optimisation techniques)

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27/5/10 (Item 5 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R)File 2:INSPEC

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5872820 INSPEC Abstract Number: C9805-6150G-006

Title: Development of a functional test suite for BADA-III/C++

Author(s): Chang Hwan Chae; Sang Ho Lee; Mi Young Lee

Journal: Journal of KISS(C) (Computing Practices) vol.3, no.6 p. 559-67

Publisher: Korea Inf. Sci. Soc,

Publication Date: Dec. 1997 Country of Publication: South Korea
CODEN: CKNCFY ISSN: 1226-2293
SICI: 1226-2293(199712)3:6L:559:DFTS;1-5
Material Identity Number: E347-98002
Language: Korean Document Type: Journal Paper (JP)
Treatment: Practical (P)

Abstract: Presents a functional testing tool for the BADA III **DEMS**, which is an object-oriented **database** system under development in the Electronics and Telecommunications Research Institute. The system architecture and characteristics of the testing tool, test **databases**, design principles for test cases and implementation issues are described in detail. The schema of the test **databases** is constructed to be suitable for the object-oriented paradigm, and the instances are synthesized to help the user to understand easily. The test tool features test independence and self-evaluation, and has been developed to verify all the functionalities of BADA-III/C++. Each test case has been derived under eight design principles that are essentially based on various black-box techniques, such as equivalent **partitioning**, **boundary**-value **analysis** and error guessing. The testing tool offers 966 test cases in total, in 167 test programs. (12 Refs)

Subfile: C

Descriptors: object-oriented **databases**; program testing; software tools

Identifiers: functional test suite development; BADA-III/C++; functional testing tool; object-oriented **database** system; system architecture; test **databases**; test case design principles; implementation issues; **database** schema; instance synthesis; test independence; self-evaluation; black-box techniques; equivalent partitioning; boundary-value analysis; error guessing; test programs

Class Codes: C6150G (Diagnostic, testing, debugging and evaluating systems); C6160J (Object-oriented databases)

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Object Recognition in Range Images Using CAD Databases

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Michigan Univ., Ann Arbor. Artificial Intelligence Lab.

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An aspect graph plays an important role in three dimensional object recognition. Its represents the three-dimensional shape of an object by its two dimensional qualitative views as seen from various viewpoints. To create the aspect graph of an object, the viewpoint space is partitioned into regions, each of which corresponds to qualitatively similar projections of the object. Algorithms for creating aspect graphs of polyhedral objects have been developed. We developed an algorithm to compute the aspect graph of a curved object. Our approach **partitions** the viewpoint space by **computing** **boundary** viewpoints from the shape descriptions of the object given in a computer aided design **database**. These computations are formulated from the understanding of visual events and the locations of corresponding viewpoints. We also studied new visual events for piecewise smooth objects.

Descriptors: Computer aided design; Algorithms; Computations; Curvature;
Data bases ; Graphs; Images; Shape; Three dimensional
Identifiers: *Pattern recognition; *Computer vision; NTISDODXA; NTISDODAF
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Partitioning data

DeJesus, Edmund X; Unwalla, Mike F

Byte v. 23 no5 (May '98) p. 82-3

DOCUMENT TYPE: Feature Article ISSN: 0360-5280 LANGUAGE: English

RECORD STATUS: Corrected or revised record

ABSTRACT: Due to the large size of modern **databases** , it might be useful to divide an entire **database** into smaller partitions. Three basic forms of partitioning exist: round robin, hash-based, and range. For specific purposes, hybrids of all three can also be made. Round robin, the easiest way to **partition** , guarantees almost equal **partition size** . With **range partitioning** , a certain **defined range** of a record value goes into the various data stores. Hash-based partitioning is a more abstract form of range partitioning.

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02483843 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 70909008 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Look Before You Leap. (Technology Information)
SARADHI, VIJAY; SIMONEAU, MARTIN
Intelligent Enterprise, 4, 3, 40
Feb, 2001
LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract
WORD COUNT: 2784 LINE COUNT: 00223

...ABSTRACT: re-engineering. Managers must perform extensive evaluations of software, hardware and the overall data model before designing the ETL process. The next steps are to **size** the **database** and **determine partitioning** strategy. Building the actual prototype involves first identifying its focus and then creating **database** objects using the models and tools selected. A prototype should be populated with a good-size **sample** of real data if possible. Generating reports and running ad-hoc queries helps test a warehouse. The final step is to digest the results from...

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02334735 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 55929838 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Hardware: Multilayer Switches Feature WAN and OC-48 SONE.
Network, NA
Oct 1, 1999
ISSN: 1093-8001 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 2416 LINE COUNT: 00212

... PCI 2.1 compliant. The GFX-500F costs \$119.
SOFTWARE

Candle's IntelliWatch Pinnacle 99 for Lotus Notes features new replication monitoring and assurance capabilities. **Statistics** measure replication performance at the individual **database** level. It also offers automatic detection, correction, and problem notification. IntelliWatch Pinnacle 99 costs \$4,800 per single **partitioned** server. ... OnMark 2000 **Assess** 4.0 from Viasoft scans PCs for Y2K issues in hardware/BIOS, applications, and data files. It automatically expands two-digit years in Excel spreadsheets and lets organizations scan compressed and archived **databases** for Y2K compliance. OnMark 2000 Assess 4.0 costs \$49.

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02182308 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 20751361 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
RED BRICK WAREHOUSE 5.1. (Red Brick Systems' relational database) (Software Review) (Evaluation)
Rennhackkamp, Martin
DBMS, v11, n7, p68(1)
June, 1998
DOCUMENT TYPE: Evaluation ISSN: 1041-5173 LANGUAGE: English
RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 3579 LINE COUNT: 00289

... of Red Brick Warehouse consists of three components: a database server, a load subsystem, and gateway technologies for client/server access.

Red Brick's relational **database** server was designed to support **databases** typically larger than 500GB with billions of records. It uses compact representations for numeric data and compressed ...it employs parallel scanning, parallel joining, and trademarked technologies it calls

parallel-on-demand and parallel SuperScan. Using parallel-on-demand, the Red Brick query analyzer partitions queries for the optimal degree of parallelism, where it considers the query's complexity, the tables' partitioning, and the available resources. For example, it allocates... execution methods for the subsequent steps. In this way, it eliminates the performance problems sometimes introduced when a query optimizer uses out-of-date statistics.

Red Brick supports conventional B-tree, star, and target indexes for different types of queries. Star indexes are automatically built when tables are created -- they...

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01848464 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 17587513 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Joe Celko's SQL for Smarties: Advanced SQL Programming. (book reviews)
Frank, Maurice
DBMS, v8, n11, p36(1)
Oct, 1995
DOCUMENT TYPE: Review ISSN: 1041-5173 LANGUAGE: English
RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 372 LINE COUNT: 00032

... trees (hierarchical relationships between data values). Celko shows how to solve problems that many people claim SQL is incapable of handling, such as calculating simple statistics (median, mode, variance, and standard deviation), running totals, rankings, and subsets (that is, top 10), and cross tabulations. Most examples are based on ANSI/ISO SQL-92, but the author also discusses proprietary features in popular SQL DBMS products.

This is definitely a tips and tricks book, but Celko never neglects to explain why some approaches work better than others. He frequently shows...

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01697187 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 16204040 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Sometimes you can just use your wits. (how to estimate and manage network traffic) (Tutorial)
Rossheim, John
PC Week, v11, n33, p21(1)
August 22, 1994
DOCUMENT TYPE: Tutorial ISSN: 0740-1604 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH
RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT; ABSTRACT
WORD COUNT: 509 LINE COUNT: 00042

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01295252 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 07589661 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Abstracts from other ACM publications.
Communications of the ACM, v32, n5, p625(4)

May, 1989

ISSN: 0001-0782

LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT

WORD COUNT: 5012

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... Center, San Jose, CA 95120.

Further Results on the Security of Partitioned Dynamic

Statistical Databases Mary McLeish

Partitioning is a highly secure approach to protecting **statistical databases**. When updates are introduced, security depends on putting restrictions on the **sizes** of **partition** sets which may be queried. To overcome this problem, attempts have been made to add "dummy" records. Recent work has shown that this leads to...

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Further results on the security of partitioned dynamic statistical databases. (technical)

McLeish, Mary

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March, 1989

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RECORD TYPE: ABSTRACT

ABSTRACT: Partitioning as a means of protecting statistical **data bases** is a highly secure approach. Maintaining security during updates requires restricting the **sizes** of **partition** sets which may be queried. Adding dummy records to overcome this problem has been shown to cause high information loss. A model is presented which...

...and alternatives to adding dummy records presented. The security problem is examined, with if and only if conditions considered. Security is found to hold if **partition sizes** are kept even. The practical implications of this model for the **database** manager are considered.

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01383027 Supplier Number: 46390273 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

CORYPHEUS SOFTWARE UNVEILS ACTIVATION FOR 3D GAME DEVELOPERS: Real-Time Graphics Leader Distills Technology Developed for Defense into Software that Streamlines Game Development

News Release, pN/A

May 16, 1996

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext

Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade

Word Count: 850

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TEXT:

...pointers to custom written logic routines; descriptions of object behaviors and relationships between objects; input device bindings to actions; collision callback mapping; playback constraints; LOD **definition**; BSP **partitions**; structural **database definition**; and networking protocols. Activation's features can be accessed by designers through point-and-click mouse commands, or by programmers through taggable code assigned to...

...for all leading game platforms, including Sony Playstation, Sega Saturn, Nintendo 64 and PCs running Microsoft DOS or Microsoft Windows. Included with Activation are three **sample** games which illustrate the breadth of the program's prototyping capabilities. The **sample** games are Race to Los Gatos, a 3D racing game; Mythology Fight, a 3D fighting title; and Space

Cadet, an action-oriented space battle game...

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01965250 Supplier Number: 43494938 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
SOFTWARE ADVANCES: SYBASE (R)SYSTEM 10 (TM) IS UNVEILED
Manufacturing Automation, v2, n>3, pN/A
Dec, 1992
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade
Word Count: 1449

... time graphic displays about transaction activity, CPU and device utilization, and network traffic.

The SYBASE Configurator(TM) product provides capacity planning and design modeling for **database** environments. The software analyzes user **statistics**, capacity requirements, application design information, and throughput requirements, and then recommends hardware configurations, selects **database partitioning** and **estimates** performance. Such capabilities are especially important for sites with massive amounts of data and high transaction and query volumes. The initial release of Configurator is...

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04357385 Supplier Number: 46390273 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
CORYPHEUS SOFTWARE UNVEILS ACTIVATION FOR 3D GAME DEVELOPERS: Real-Time Graphics Leader Distills Technology Developed for Defense into Software that Streamlines Game Development
News Release, pN/A
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09218695 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 19040940 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Accrual and cash flow accounting models: a comparison of the value relevance and timeliness of their components.
Cotter, Julie
Accounting and Finance, v36, n2, p127(24)

Nov, 1996

ISSN: 0810-5391 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract
WORD COUNT: 8147 LINE COUNT: 00710

... 1, 2, 5 and 10 years are employed.

Cash flow from operations and operating accruals data were generously supplied by Percy and Stokes (1992). Their **sample** comprised 107 firms for which the information required to calculate the cash flow from operations and operating accruals measures was obtained from the AGSM Annual Report File. This **sample** represents all of the firms existing in Australia from 1975 to 1985 for which data are available on the AGSM **database**. The time period is comparable with the second half of EHO's **sampling** period which runs from 1976 to 1986.

The ten year event window used in this study implies that a firm must have ten consecutive years...

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07500396 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 16204040 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Sometimes you can just use your wits. (how to estimate and manage network traffic) (Tutorial)

Rossheim, John

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04158983 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 08246181 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Workers' Compensation Insurance Pricing. (book reviews)

Schmidt, Joan T.

Journal of Risk and Insurance, v56, n4, p774(5)

Dec, 1989

DOCUMENT TYPE: review ISSN: 0022-4367 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT

WORD COUNT: 1859 LINE COUNT: 00157

... disincentives associated with retrospective payment systems (wage loss). Those disincentives have been mentioned in the discussion of the preceding paper.

Under the suggest system, the **data base** of disability claims (excluding permanent total because of the small **sample size**) would be **partitioned** according to major categories. The latter might be linked to the functioning of body organs. A distribution of lost work days would be estimated for...

12/3,K/14 (Item 4 from file: 148)

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04149204 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 08053575 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)

A welfare-theoretic evaluation of unemployment insurance.

Neill, Jon R.

Public Finance Quarterly, v17, n4, p429(16)

Oct., 1989

ISSN: 0048-5853

LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT

WORD COUNT: 5424

LINE COUNT: 00439

... 5) More specifically, households whose heads were self-employed, retired, not working but not retired, or in the occupational category "other" were eliminated from the **data base**. Next, demographic classes were defined in order that the subsamples of households residing in a given state could be **partitioned**. Twelve classes were **defined** on the basis of marital status, education, and race. Any household that did not respond to these questions was removed from the **sample**. These deletions left a total of 9,242 households in 41 States to be partitioned.

Once each state subsample had been partitioned, averages of disposable...

12/3,K/15 (Item 5 from file: 148)

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03242073 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 05019711

An investigation of the coauthor graph.

Logan, Elisabeth L.; Shaw, W.M., Jr.

Journal of the American Society for Information Science, v38, n4, p262(7)

July, 1987

ISSN: 0002-8231

LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

RECORD TYPE: ABSTRACT

ABSTRACT: The structure of coauthor graphs and the **statistical** validity of the associated author partitions are investigated as a function of productivity and collaborative thresholds. The productivity threshold determines the number of authors (points) in a coauthor graph, and the collaborative threshold determines the number of coauthor pairs (lines) in the graph. The **statistical** validity of author **partitions** is **determined** by the random-graph hypothesis. The results show that for 'small' **databases**, statistically preferred partitions occur when all authors and coauthor pairs appear in the graph. For 'large' **databases**, statistically preferred partitions occur when authors and coauthor pairs who publish only one article are excluded from the graph. Unlike other bibliometric relationships, the highly...

...the collaborative relationship produces a wide range of threshold values for which the associated partitions are statistically valid. It remains to be shown how the **statistical** validity of partitions is related to the empirical significance of the same partitions. (Reprinted by permission of the publisher.)

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02139595 70047784

Employment structure and training needs in the Louisiana value-added wood products industry

Vlosky, Richard P; Chance, N Paul

Forest Products Journal v51n3 PP: 34-41 Mar 2001

ISSN: 0015-7473 JRNL CODE: FPJ

WORD COUNT: 3893

...TEXT: in this study were conducted in accordance with well-documented and verified techniques (3,6,7, 10). The following sections describe these procedures.

SAMPLING

The **sample** frame for the study consisted of all secondary solid wood products manufacturers in Louisiana. Examples of industry sectors represented include hardwood dimension and flooring mills, wood kitchen and bath cabinets, wood household furniture, wood office furniture, store fixtures, pallets, **partitions**, etc. There are **estimated** to be approximately 650 companies in this population in Louisiana (12). The primary source of **sample** frame information was existing industry directory **databases** and directories compiled by the LFPL (4).

MAIL QUESTIONNAIRES

Data collection was done using a mail survey questionnaire. Mail questionnaires were chosen as the most...

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02031197 54868911

A comparison of financial-statement-analysis-based and price-based earnings forecasts

Machuga, Susan M; Pfeiffer, Ray J Jr
Journal of Business & Economic Studies v6n1 PP: 21 Spring 2000
ISSN: 1063-343X JRNL CODE: NEJ
WORD COUNT: 5583

...TEXT: do not have incentives to forecast. Evidence regarding this conjecture is presented in the association tests that follow.

TABLE 3

Looking at subsamples of the **data** based on prior-year earnings performance reveals that the price-based forecast outperforms the financial-statement- **analysisbased** forecast in both **partitions** of the data. Even in the poor performance partition of the **sample** where transitory earnings are more prevalent, the pricebased forecast still appears to generate more accurate predictions. In addition, all three forecast sources produce smaller errors...

12/3,K/18 (Item 3 from file: 15)
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01910034 05-61026

Research note: A study of computer usage and strategic planning in the SME sector

Bridge, John; Peel, Michael J
International Small Business Journal v17n4 PP: 82-87 Jul-Sep 1999
ISSN: 0266-2426 JRNL CODE: IOG
WORD COUNT: 2180

...TEXT: planners were analysed for both small and medium-sized firms. Other than for accounting packages, the results revealed that high planners in the small company **sample** used the various software packages to a significantly greater extent than low planners, particularly in respect of spreadsheets, **databases**, MIS and **statistical** packages. The mean usage scores for high planners in the small firm sub- **sample** for spreadsheets (4.24), **databases** (4.06), MIS (3.39) and **statistical** packages (2.94), were significantly higher than for low planners in the small company subsample -who had mean scores of 3.84, 3.52, 2...

12/3,K/19 (Item 4 from file: 15)
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01837129 04-88120

Industry segmentation and predictor motifs for solvency analysis of the life/health insurance industry

Baranoff, Etti G; Sager, Thomas W; Witt, Robert C
Journal of Risk & Insurance v66n1 PP: 99-123 Mar 1999
ISSN: 0022-4367 JRNL CODE: JRI
WORD COUNT: 5408

...TEXT: Barniv and Hathorn (1997) on mergers and insolvency.

Most life/health solvency studies have appeared after 1990 and also show a migration from matched-pairs **samples** to whole-industry analyses with the advent of the NAIC **databases**. Barniv and Hershberger (1990) used matched-pair **sampling** of pooled data from 1975 to 1985 to correctly classify the insolvency status of between eighty-two and ninety-one percent of life insurers one and two years in advance. More recently, Ambrose and Carroll (1994) used matched-pair **sampling** of pooled data from 1969 to 1986 to predict life insolvencies for 1987 to 1991. They attribute their finding of relatively low predictive power to temporal changes in the factors responsible for insolvency over long time spans.³ Using the NAIC **database** for 1986 through 1991, Carson and Hoyt (1995) compared logistic regression, recursive **partitioning**, and discriminant **analysis** for predicting life insolvencies. Although they did not analyze segments, they conjectured that "models segregated by insurer size and product line also may yield additional...

12/3,K/20 (Item 5 from file: 15)

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01696272 03-47262

The IBM data warehouse architecture

Bontempo, Charles; Zagelow, George
Communications of the ACM v41n9 PP: 38-48 Sep 1998
ISSN: 0001-0782 JRNL CODE: ACM
WORD COUNT: 3419

...TEXT: pipeline parallelism. Collectively, the DB2 Family provides additional support for data warehouse performance and scalability:

Parallel-aware, cost-based search optimizers that exploit a wide **range** of **database** **statistics**

Intelligent **partitioning**

Parallel database operations, including (but not limited to) parallel table and index scans, joins, backup/recovery, and utilities

Specialized indexes and index processing

SQL extensions...

12/3,K/21 (Item 6 from file: 15)

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00489235 90-14992

Hybrid Join: An Improved Sort-Based Join Algorithm

Choi, Hwang Kyu; Kim, Myunghwan
Information Processing Letters v32n2 PP: 51-56 Jul 24, 1989
ISSN: 0020-0190 JRNL CODE: IPL

ABSTRACT: In the relational **database** system, the join operation is one of the most important due to its frequent uses, especially if relations are

normalized. Of several algorithms proposed for...

... can be saved, compared with the sort-based algorithm. The main improvement of the hybrid algorithm comes from completely sorting only the smaller relation and **partitioning** the others into **ranged** buckets according to the order **statistics** of the sorted relation. In analyzing the performance of the hybrid join and comparing it to other methods, it is shown that the hybrid join...

12/3,K/22 (Item 7 from file: 15)
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00367072 87-25906

An Investigation of the Coauthor Graph

Logan, Elisabeth L.; Shaw, W. M., Jr.

Journal of the American Society for Information Science v38n4 PP: 262-268

Jul 1987

ISSN: 0002-8231 JRNL CODE: ASI

ABSTRACT: The structure of coauthor graphs and the **statistical** validity of the associated author partitions are examined as a function of productivity and collaborative thresholds. The **statistical** validity of author **partitions** is **determined** by reference to the random-graph hypothesis. The results indicate that, for "small" **databases**, statistically preferred partitions occur when all authors and coauthor pairs appear in the graph. For "large" **databases**, statistically preferred partitions emerge when authors and coauthor pairs who publish only one article are excluded from the graph. Unlike other bibliometric relationships, the highly...

... the collaborative relationship generates a wide range of threshold values for which the associated partitions are statistically valid. It remains to be demonstrated how the **statistical** validity of partitions is related to the empirical significance of the same partitions. ...

12/3,K/23 (Item 8 from file: 15)
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00118614 80-12565

Sorting of Textual Data Bases: A Variety Generation Approach to Distribution Sorting

Cooper, David; Dicker, Mary E.; Lynch, Michael F.

Information Processing & Management v16n1 PP: 49-56 1980

ISSN: 0306-4573 JRNL CODE: IPM

ABSTRACT: The sorting of large files of data derived from bibliographic or other textual **data bases** can be an expensive procedure. Therefore, any slight increase in the efficiency of sorts can contribute to reduction in costs to the users of information services. One method of sorting large textual **data bases** by computer uses external storage and divides the range of sort-keys in a **sample** of data to be sorted into a fixed set of partitions. The **partitions** are composed of ordered key **ranges**, and an incoming data stream is distributed into a series of bins according to the partition in which the key lies. The bins are then...

... sort, to give an ordered file. The number of disc accesses needed depends on the manner in which the bins become filled and, thus, on **statistics** of the data. An experiment using an INSPEC **data base** suggests that this method of sorting is feasible and that it is possible to generate a partition set from a reasonably small **sample** of the data to be sorted. ...

12/3,K/24 (Item 9 from file: 15)

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00074484 78-08815

Shareable Data Bases Key for Effective Mapmaking

Schmidt, Allan H.

Computerworld v12n19 PP: 36 May 8, 1978

ISSN: 0010-4841 JRNL CODE: COW

ABSTRACT: A national cartographic **data base** is needed which can readily produce computer mapping among organizations having much the same needs. Many **data bases** designed to support federal programs could be applied by other users. Such data needs to be made more accessible to possible users at all levels...

... which use topological data to describe polygonal features, such as city blocks, could also be used to map such things as land use or health **statistics**. A topological **data base** would have wide applicability. The capability to merge 2 cartographic data files into one **data base** has also been developed. Further work should also be done on merging a gridded **data base** with the topological data structure. A gridded **data base** is used in cases where data cannot be **partitioned** into exactly **defined boundaries**, such as in the case of rainfall.

15/3,K/1 (Item 1 from file: 275)

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02483843 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 70909008 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)

Look Before You Leap. (Technology Information)

SARADHI, VIJAY; SIMONEAU, MARTIN

Intelligent Enterprise, 4, 3, 40

Feb, 2001

LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract

WORD COUNT: 2784 LINE COUNT: 00223

...ABSTRACT: re-engineering. Managers must perform extensive evaluations of software, hardware and the overall data model before designing the ETL process. The next steps are to **size** the database and **determine partitioning** strategy. Building the actual prototype involves first identifying its focus and then creating database objects using the models and tools selected. A prototype should be populated with a good-size **sample** of real data if possible. Generating reports and running ad-hoc queries helps test a warehouse. The final step is to digest the results from...

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01424400 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 10513866 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)

Packet analyzers tell the whole network story. (Neon Software Inc.'s

NetMinder LocalTalk and The AG Group's LocalPeek) (Software Review

(evaluation)

Magorian, Dan

MacWEEK, v5, n12, p53(3)

March 26, 1991

DOCUMENT TYPE: evaluation ISSN: 0892-8118 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT; ABSTRACT

WORD COUNT: 1043 LINE COUNT: 00084

... task in a similar fashion. When you launch either program, it allocates as much memory as possible for a packet buffer. The buffer size is **determined** by the **size** of the MultiFinder memory **partition** and can be as large as you want. When you start collecting packets, both programs display **statistics** and charts of the number of packets captured, errors found and the amount of network bandwidth being used.

Packets are displayed in a main window...

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01013890 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 00554410

Computer Simulation As a Design Aid for A Decentralized Application

Controller in a Distributed System.

Beamon, G.E.; Popick, P.R.

Summer Computer Simulation Conference Proceedings, v1, p128-131

Annual, 1983

ISSN: 0094-7474 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: ABSTRACT

...ABSTRACT: The primary design objective of this controller is to maximize the throughput of the signal processing module as well as controller task timing and queueing **statistics**. The model is parameterized to allow sensitivity **analysis** of functional components, task **partitioning**, queue **sizing** and data input rates. (Reprinted by Permission of Publisher.)

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01028650 Supplier Number: 40432348 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
HEALTH, SAFETY AND QUALITY -- TECHNICAL
Food Cosmetics & Drug Packaging, v11, n4, pN/A
July, 1988
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Newsletter; Trade
Word Count: 2182

... gave different results and hence "a specified procedure with pre-determined calibration curves has to be followed in order to obtain reliable and reproducible results".

Samples of the PVC films were contacted with different concentrations of PVC in the water or oil (in the ranges 50-200, 30-105, and 20-50 ppb) and the system stirred until equilibrium was reached, when the liquid phase was analysed. VCM in the polymer was **estimated** by difference.

Partition coefficients (polymer to liquid **ranged** from ca 1 to 8 for the corn oil, and 6 to 40 for the water, increasing generally (not invariably) with reducing VCM concentration.
The...

15/3,K/5 (Item 1 from file: 16)
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09051356 Supplier Number: 78932836 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
Advances in Emulsion Polymerization For Coatings Applications: Latex Blends And Reactive Surfactants.
El-Aasser, Mohamed S.; Tang, Jiansheng; Wang, Xiaoru; Daniels, Eric S.; Dimonie, Victoria L.; Sudol, E. David
The Journal of Coatings Technology, v73, n920, p51
Sept, 2001
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade
Word Count: 9057

... homopolymer, or copolymer) after the polymerization. Incorporation is favored at lower surfactant and higher initiator concentrations. These results are not unexpected.

SURFACE vs. **BURIED**: The **sample** prepared with 30 mM reactive surfactant and 8 mM (Na.sub.2)(S.sub.2)(O.sub.8) was subjected to further **analysis** to **determine** the **extent** of **partitioning** of the surfactant between the surface and interior of the latex particles. By partially swelling the particles with THF, ion exchange and titration of the...

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08916479 Supplier Number: 76876827 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
Does High Short Interest Lead Underperformance? (Statistical Data Included)
FARINELLA, JOSEPH A.; GRAHAM, J. EDWARD; MCDONALD, CYNTHIA G.
Journal of Investing, v10, n2, p45
Summer, 2001
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext
Article Type: Statistical Data Included
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade
Word Count: 3758

... of more statistically sound measures (see Barber and Lyon (1997) and Kothari and Warner (1997)). These better measures include the size-adjusted returns we provide.

Size -adjusted returns are **calculated** by **partitioning** the

highly shorted **sample** and all Nasdaq stocks into market value deciles at the time of each of the 55 announcements. Net-of-size portfolio returns are calculated as...

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06298040 Supplier Number: 54488438 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
Novel screening unit provides alternative to conventional shale shaker.
Dehn, Courtney
The Oil and Gas Journal, v97, n15, p40(1)
April 12, 1999
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade
Word Count: 4601

... in the feed.

As it is virtually impossible to measure the flow rates of the feed (undersize and oversize streams in real time operations), the **partition** numbers for the various **size** fractions must be **determined** from **sample** data gathered in a steady state for the three streams using an analytical equation.

The undersize and oversize partition numbers are derived in Equations 2...

15/3,K/8 (Item 1 from file: 148)
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11900391 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 60903581 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Safe and Effective Importance Sampling.
OWEN, ART; ZHOU, YI
Journal of the American Statistical Association, 95, 449, 135
March, 2000
ISSN: 0162-1459 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 6860 LINE COUNT: 00616

... $p_{.sub.j}((X_{.sub.ji}))$, (17)

where $(X_{.sub.ji})$ are independent draws from $(p_{.sub.j})$ and the subscripts on I denote the **partition** of unity and the **sample sizes** used. The **estimate** $(I_{.sub.n,w})$ is unbiased under mild conditions on the supports of the function $(p_{.sub.j})$ and $(w_{.sub.j})$.

Veach and Guibas...

15/3,K/9 (Item 2 from file: 148)
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10699861 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 53410844 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Earnings management and the long-run market performance of initial public offerings. (includes appendices)
Teoh, Siew Hong; Welch, Ivo; Wong, T.J.
Journal of Finance, 53, 6, 1935(4)
Dec, 1998
ISSN: 0022-1082 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract
WORD COUNT: 14064 LINE COUNT: 01164

... and 20.7 percent in BH terms in the fourth year. (We do not use four-year returns elsewhere in the paper.)

Panel C considers **sample** partitions by size, book-to-market ratios, and time-period. The **size partition** is based on market capitalization **measured** at the time of the first financial statement post-IPO with cutoffs at \$20 million and \$100 million (in December 1997 real dollars). The differential...

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10407013 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 21034089 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
The declining credit quality of U.S. corporate debt: myth or reality?(Papers and Proceedings: Fifty-Eighth Annual Meeting, American Finance Association)
Blume, Marshall E.; Lim, Felix; MacKinlay, Craig
Journal of Finance, v53, n4, p1389(25)
August, 1998
ISSN: 0022-1082 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract
WORD COUNT: 8233 LINE COUNT: 00736

... sub.it) in response to a change of one standard deviation in the value of this explanatory variable. A comparison of this change to the size of the partitions provides a measure of the economic importance of a variable. As a further aid in interpreting the probit model, Table III contains descriptive statistics of the distributions of the explanatory variables by rating category and overall.

The variance of the standard errors of the probit model, which can be

...

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10167744 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 20297945 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
A spatial scan statistic for stochastic scan partitions.
Priebe, Carey E.; Olson, Tim; Healy, Dennis M., Jr.
Journal of the American Statistical Association, v92, n440, p1476(9)
Dec, 1997
ISSN: 0162-1459 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 6196 LINE COUNT: 00531

... is provided in Section 3, Example 1.

2.4 The Power of the Test

The power of the test depends on the accuracy of the partition boundaries as estimates of "true" boundaries, the difference in intensities (Λ) and (Λ)(prime), and the size of the region of nonhomogeneity ($R_{sup.A}$). In the example considered herein, the...

...than the healthy tissue, then this partitioning scheme has the potential to yield greater power than a standard quadrat test or a conventional spatial scan statistic. The power of the test based on (2) can be calculated exactly. In particular, we consider the best-case scenario in which ($R_{sup.A}$)...

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06804145 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 15199956 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Advertising, R&D expenditures and the market value of the firm. (Mergers and Acquisitions)
Chauvin, Keith W.; Hirschey, Mark
Financial Management, v22, n4, p128(13)
Winter, 1993
ISSN: 0046-3892 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT; ABSTRACT
WORD COUNT: 6518 LINE COUNT: 00533

... the market value effects of advertising and R&D from other industry-specific valuation considerations. In addition, the basic valuation model can be analyzed over samples of advertising-intensive and

R&D-intensive industries to learn the extent to which the valuation effects of advertising and R&D expenditures are mitigated by substantial promotional and innovative activity by competitors. By analyzing the overall **sample** of firms, in addition to a simple two-part breakdown for manufacturing versus nonmanufacturing firms, it becomes possible to learn the extent to which expenditures...

...and R&D have broad rather than narrow implications for the value of the firm. By considering the market value implications of a three-part **sample partition** according to firm **size** (**measured** by sales revenue), the extent to which firm size plays a role in determining the market value effects of advertising and R&D can also...

15/3,K/13 (Item 6 from file: 148)
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06508037 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 14376997 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Statistical issues in the assessment of undiscovered oil and gas resources.
Kaufman, Gordon M.
Energy Journal, v14, n1, p183(34)
Jan, 1993
ISSN: 0195-6574 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT; ABSTRACT
WORD COUNT: 10744 LINE COUNT: 00876

... that this condition guarantees uniqueness.
Andreatta and Kaufman (1986) adapt Murthy's (1957) estimator, a close relative of Horvitz and Thompson's estimator, to successive **sampling** in a different way. If any one population characteristic such as the number N of deposits, the sum of all deposit magnitudes or a fractile...

...in-place deposits is assumed to be known with certainty, then this knowledge be used to compute an estimate of inclusion probabilities from an incomplete **sample** of the population. They call this "anchored estimation," the known population characteristic being the "anchor." An application to North Sea data **partitioned** into seven **size** classes recovers MLE **estimates** for each of these size classes so closely as to suggest a tight link between conditional (on the anchor) MLE and unbiased estimation via anchoring...

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02244065 87186019
Taxation and Black's zero-beta strategy revisited
Faff, Robert; Hillier, David; Wood, Justin
Financial Analysts Journal v57n5 PP: 57-65 Sep/Oct 2001
ISSN: 0015-198X JRNL CODE: FIA
WORD COUNT: 2996

...TEXT: both subperiods, mimicked the earlier results. Thus, the changed relationship between return and beta was not driven by a sector effect.

Does size matter? To **assess** the potential confounding effect of **size**, we **partitioned** stocks into three **size** groupings based on market capitalization in each June. The "large" stock group comprised the largest 100 stocks; the "medium" group, the next largest 200 stocks; and the "small" group, the remaining stocks. The mean monthly return for the entire **sample** period varied significantly with size: Large stocks averaged 1.24 percent; medium stocks averaged 1.07 percent; and small stocks averaged 2.35 percent a...

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01508044 01-59032

Comparative versus noncomparative advertising: A meta-analysis

Grewal, Dhruv; Kavanoor, Sukumar; Fern, Edward F; Costley, Carolyn; Barnes, James

Journal of Marketing v61n4 PP: 1-15 Oct 1997

ISSN: 0022-2429 JRNL CODE: JMK

WORD COUNT: 10314

...TEXT: from studies that examined multiple products. When subjects or dependent variables differed, we calculated separate effect size estimates across products. The independent variable used to **partition** studies for **calculating** the effect size estimates was ad format (comparative ad versus noncomparative ad). Comparative ads were those that explicitly or implicitly compared the sponsor's brand with another brand in...

... three ad levels (e.g., direct comparative, Brand X, noncomparative), we used direct comparative versus noncomparative ads to calculate the effect size estimate. The d- **statistic** was coded positive if the comparative ad produced more favorable results than the noncomparative ad and negative otherwise.

Moderating variables were included in our analysis...

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01100398 97-49792

Supplier concentration and pricing of audit services in New Zealand

Johnson, Eric N; Walker, Kenton B; Westergaard, Erik

Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory v14n2 PP: 74-89 Fall 1995

ISSN: 0278-0380 JRNL CODE: APT

WORD COUNT: 6255

...TEXT: the New Zealand audit market, but the interactive nature of the relationships among audit firm size, company size, and company listing status require a further **analysis** of the **sample partitioned** on company **size** (large vs. small) and listing status (listed vs. unlisted). The partitioned regression results demonstrate that the Big 5 received fee premiums from large listed and...

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00811572 94-60964

An analysis of the economic factors related to auditor-client disagreements preceding auditor changes

Dhaliwal, Dan S; Schatzberg, Jeffrey W; Trombley, Mark A

Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory v12n2 PP: 22-38 Fall 1993

ISSN: 0278-0380 JRNL CODE: APT

WORD COUNT: 6373

...TEXT: size than the incumbent auditor, relative to clients that change auditors with no disagreement disclosed. Table 8 presents data regarding the incumbent and new auditor **partitioned** by two different **measures** of **size** : (1) Big 8 versus Non-Big 8; and (2) total audited sales. (13) (Table 8 omitted) For the Big 8 versus Non-Big 8 classification...

... to a Big 8 auditor (22 percent versus 11 percent), a chi sup 2 test on the two-by-two contingency table including the 28 **sample** firms changing to different size auditors indicates an insignificant difference between the switch behavior of the D group and the ND group. When the Big...

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00074484 78-08815

Shareable Data Bases Key for Effective Mapmaking

Schmidt, Allan H.

Computerworld v12n19 PP: 36 May 8, 1978

ISSN: 0010-4841 JRNL CODE: COW

...ABSTRACT: which use topological data to describe polygonal features, such as city blocks, could also be used to map such things as land use or health **statistics**. A topological data base would have wide applicability. The capability to merge 2 cartographic data files into one data base has also been developed. Further...

... be done on merging a gridded data base with the topological data structure. A gridded data base is used in cases where data cannot be **partitioned** into exactly **defined boundaries**, such as in the case of rainfall.

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02244292 Supplier Number: 57830035 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
CybeRecord Successfully Tests Automatic Document Image Recognition Software.
Business Wire, p0199
Nov 30, 1999
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Newswire; Trade
Word Count: 460

... Inc. (Nasdaq:CYRD) announced today that it has successfully tested automatic image recognition features of its digital document processing software on a large pre-scanned **sampling** of diverse microfilm formats.

The software's innovative **statistical** modeling algorithms automatically locate individual image boundaries on the scanned microfilm and **partition** the digital file into standardized pages, eliminating excess data. The company is developing an automatic image recognition, enhancement, and restoration solution that is essential for...

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10131199 Supplier Number: 92027009 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
Market revaluations of foreign listings' reconciliations to U.S. financial reporting.
El-Gazzar, Samir M.; Finn, Philip M.; Jacob, Rudy A.
International Advances in Economic Research, v8, n3, p221(14)
August, 2002
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Refereed; Academic
Word Count: 6447

... firms from Canada; and
8) (m.sub.j) is the disturbance term for firm j in year t.
Results
Summary Statistics
Table A1 presents summary **statistics** of the measuring variables.
Panel A provides summaries of variables for the total **sample**, while Panels B, C, and D **partition** the **statistics** by region and year of study. From Panel A, the **statistics** reveal that the mean market reaction (INFOann) to foreign earnings announcement is 1.98 percent of the security's price and 1.04 percent during...

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15535838 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 97185491 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Independent and identically distributed Monte Carlo algorithms for semiparametric linear mixed models.
Ishwaran, Hemant; Takahara, Glen
Journal of the American Statistical Association, 97, 460, 1154(13)
Dec, 2002
ISSN: 0162-1459 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract
WORD COUNT: 10386 LINE COUNT: 00986

... encoded using only simple sufficient statistics--thus allowing models to be updated without the need to rerun past data. Note that the number of sufficient **statistics** for each **partition** is a linear function of its cardinality, which is typically a small fraction of the **sample** size. Thus the notion of interruptibility can be applied when n is large.

APPENDIX A: APPROXIMATE WEIGHTED CHINESE RESTAURANT ALGORITHM FOR
SINGLE-MEASUREMENT DATA

Plug...

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15248362 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 94874445 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
**Branching and competition in the European banking industry. (econometric
analysis of cost of bank branching and competition in nine western
European nations)**
Cerasi, Vittoria; Chizzolini, Barbara; Ivaldi, Marc
Applied Economics, 34, 17, 2213(13)
Nov 20, 2002
ISSN: 0003-6846 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 8875 LINE COUNT: 00830

... branches in the sample is comparable to the OECD figures for
Belgium, Germany, and France, while, for the other countries, larger banks
are slightly over sampled.

Table 2 provides some statistics on the partition of the
observations in the sample according to branching behaviour. It appears
that, within the set of multi-branch banks, the majority (2565) opened new
branches or kept their network size...

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12108966 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 59282627 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
**Competing Effectively: Environmental Scanning, Competitive Strategy, and
Organizational Performance in Small Manufacturing Firms.**
Beal, Reginald M.
Journal of Small Business Management, 38, 1, 27
Jan, 2000
ISSN: 0047-2778 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 9058 LINE COUNT: 00889

... divide the sample into scanners and non-scanners. Firms scoring
above the mean were classified as scanners, those below the mean as
non-scanners.

The statistical methods used in testing the hypotheses were
analysis of variance (ANOVA) and t-tests. ANOVA was used to partition the
sample into scanners and non-scanners on each scanning index across the
growth and maturity stages of the industry life cycle. (Growth and maturity
were the...

17/3,K/6 (Item 4 from file: 148)
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11822178 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 59331454 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
**New Evidence on Serial Correlation in Analyst Forecast Errors. (Statistical
Data Included)**
Nutt, Stacey R.; Easterwood, John C.; Easterwood, Cintia M.
Financial Management, 28, 4, 106
Winter, 1999
DOCUMENT TYPE: Statistical Data Included ISSN: 0046-3892
LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 9207 LINE COUNT: 00873

... n = 3 Years
Intercept ((alpha).sub.0)) -1.66 (***)
(t-statistic) (-22.55)

(FE.sub.t-n) ((alpha).sub.1)) 0.12 (***)
 (10.09)
 F Statistic 102
 Adjusted (R.sub.2) 0.011
 Sample Size 9,411
 (***)Significant at the 0.01 level.
 Descriptive Statistics for Partitions of Lagged Residual Forecast
 Error (partitioned by thirds)
 (FE'.sub.jt-n) the forecast error for firm j (i.e., ((E.sub.1)-(F.sub
 ...

17/3,K/7 (Item 5 from file: 148)
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10563230 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 21232978 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Small firm and value effects in the Canadian stock market.
 Elfakhani, Said; Lockwood, Larry J.; Zaher, Tarek S.
 Journal of Financial Research, v21, n3, p277(15)
 Fall, 1998
 ISSN: 0270-2592 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract
 WORD COUNT: 5517 LINE COUNT: 00546

... non-Januaries during 1975-84, and non-Januaries during 1985-92.
 Results indicate market beta is not priced for Canadian stocks in any
 of the **sample partitions**. None of the **t- statistics** is significant for
 the beta risk premia. In fact, the risk premia for beta are negative.
 (although insignificant) for most of the partitions presented in...

...S. markets over various subperiods. However, they do not provide
 contrasts between January and non-January.

Firm size effects for Canadian stocks exist in each **sample
 partition** presented in Table 3. All of the **t- statistics** for the
 size-risk premia are significant. Findings indicate the firm size effect is
 noticeably stronger in January than in non-January. For example, over
 cross-sectional regressions and the respective **t- statistics** are
 reported for each **sample partition**. The first column presents the
 beta risk premia and respective **t- statistics** and the second column
 presents the size risk premia and respective t-statistics.

** Significant at the 5 percent level.

Our tests show firm size effects...

1975-84, 1985-89, January only, and non-January
 months. The averages of the gammas estimated from the
 cross-sectional regressions and the respective **t- statistics** are
 reported for each **sample partition**. The book-to-market risk premia
 and corresponding **t- statistics** are presented in the first column The
 size risk premia and corresponding t-statistics are presented in the
 second column.

** Significant at the 5 percent...

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10167744 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 20297945 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
A spatial scan statistic for stochastic scan partitions.
 Priebe, Carey E.; Olson, Tim; Healy, Dennis M., Jr.
 Journal of the American Statistical Association, v92, n440, p1476(9)
 Dec, 1997
 ISSN: 0162-1459 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
 WORD COUNT: 6196 LINE COUNT: 00531

... the radius (Sigma) of the median filter for larger target signals.
 This independence assumption is key to the derivation in Section 2.2 of the

sampling distribution of the spatial scan **statistic** based on the stochastic **partition**. The effect of this presmoothing on the **partition** (W.sub.(Sigma))((Zeta)) is investigated in Section 3.1.

In summary, given a realization (Zeta), $W((Zeta)) = \{(R.sub.1), \dots, (R.sub.K)\}$ produces...

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09656754 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 19320991 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Product partition models for normal means.
Crowley, Evelyn M.
Journal of the American Statistical Association, v92, n437, p192(7)
March, 1997
ISSN: 0162-1459 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract
WORD COUNT: 4907 LINE COUNT: 00410

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Geyer, C. J. (1992), "Practical Markov Chain Monte Carlo," **Statistical Science**, 7, 473-511.
Hartigan, J. A. (1990), " **Partition Models**," Communications in **Statistics**, Part A - Theory and Methods, 19, 2745-2756.
Hastings, W. K. (1970), "Monte Carlo **Sampling** Methods Using Markov Chains and Their Applications," Biometrika, 87, 97-109.
James, W., and Stein, C. (1961), "Estimation With Quadratic Loss," in Proceedings of the...

17/3,K/10 (Item 8 from file: 148)
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08405245 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 17781749 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
An empirical analysis of some determinants of the target shareholder premium in takeovers.
Bugeja, Martin; Walter, Terry
Accounting and Finance, v35, n2, p33(28)
Nov, 1995
ISSN: 0810-5391 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract
WORD COUNT: 9450 LINE COUNT: 00763

... it difficult for them to retain their position. Also bidders in rejected offers are performing insignificantly better than the bidders whose offers are accepted (t - **statistic** = 1.09).
Panel D of Table 2 **partitions** the **sample** according to the form of payment. It shows target firm's performance prior to the bid is more negative when equity is the form of...

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06789806 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 14891931 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Common stock price effects of security issues conditioned by current earnings and dividend announcements. (includes appendix)
Manuel, Timothy A.; Brooks, LeRoy D.; Schadler, Frederick P.
Journal of Business, v66, n4, p571(23)
Oct, 1993
ISSN: 0021-9398 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT; ABSTRACT
WORD COUNT: 7878 LINE COUNT: 00750

...	60	43	4	4	
	1986(*)	32	26	2	1

Total	800	579	375	191
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* The number of 1986 issues is small because the Registered Offering **Statistics** tape available for this project does not include all 1986 registrations.

TABLE 3 **Sample** Size of Each Portfolio **Partition**

A. Common Stock Offers

	D Precedes B	D Follows B	Row Total
X precedes B	Portfolio 1	Portfolio 2	
	75	38	113
	(39.27%)	(19...	

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06505765 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 14320761 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
An examination of stock price reactions to discount rate changes under alternative monetary policy regimes.
 Jensen, Gerald R.; Johnson, Robert R.
 Quarterly Journal of Business and Economics, v32, n2, p26(26)
 Spring, 1993
 ISSN: 0747-5535 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT; ABSTRACT
 WORD COUNT: 6956 LINE COUNT: 00612

... Roley's analysis covers six years (1977-1982) with 27 changes, and Hafer studies the 1977-1984 period with 32 changes. In addition, each study **partitions** the **sample** into different monetary policy regimes. The resulting small **sample** sizes diminish the chances of finding **statistical** significance even if economic significance exists.

5 As indicated by Waud (1970), frequently the New York Fed Bank will either lead or lag changes made...

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05591355 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 12097510 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
The timeliness of half yearly earnings announcements and stock returns.
 Sinclair, Norman A.; Young, Joanna C.Y.
 Accounting and Finance, v31, n2, p31(22)
 Nov, 1991
 ISSN: 0810-5391 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT; ABSTRACT
 WORD COUNT: 6108 LINE COUNT: 00514

... size quintile into quintiles according to UEARN. Second, in quintiles according to UEARN then within each earnings quintile according to SIZE. For each of these **partitions** we use a **statistic** based upon Jonckheere [1954] which tests for a k- **sample** trend against ordered alternatives.(9) For a given size **partition**, we expect abnormal returns to increase as unexpected earnings increases leading to a significant positive TJ statistic across earnings quintiles. These results are presented in...

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02430134 207858291
Updated facts on the U.S. distributions of earnings, income, and wealth
 Rodriguez, Santiago Budria; Diaz-Gimenez, Javier; Quadrini, Vincenzo;

Rios-Rull, Jose-Victor
Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis. Quarterly Review - Federal Reserve
Bank of Minneapolis v26n3 PP: 2-34 Summer 2002
ISSN: 0271-5287 JRNL CODE: FMQ
WORD COUNT: 14821

...TEXT: for this purpose, and this forces us to use cross-sectional data to quantify the age-related differences in inequality.

Specifically, we do the following: we **partition** the SCF **sample** into 10 cohorts according to the age of the household heads, we compute the relevant **statistics** for each cohort, and we compare them with the corresponding statistics for the entire sample. These statistics are the cohort average earnings, income, and wealth...

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02338120 112533724
The use of target prices to justify sell-side analysts' stock recommendations
Bradshaw, Mark T
Accounting Horizons v16n1 PP: 27-41 Mar 2002
ISSN: 0888-7993 JRNL CODE: ACH
WORD COUNT: 6180

...TEXT: and growth are systematically invoked by analysts when summarizing the investment potential of stocks.

In Panel B of Table 3, the second and third columns **partition** the **sample** based on whether a target price is disclosed, and the final two columns present a chi

sup 2

statistic and p-value for whether the distribution of each justification differs between the two subsamples. Generally, there are two significant differences between the reports that...

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02184061 74195924
Board independence and audit-firm type
Beasley, Mark S; Petroni, Kathy R
Auditing v20n1 PP: 97-114 Mar 2001
ISSN: 0278-0380 JRNL CODE: APT
WORD COUNT: 7305

...TEXT: non-Big 6 auditors. The data also indicate that the specialists audit the larger insurers (74.6 percent of net premiums written).

Table 2 reports **sample** descriptive **statistics** by audit firm type. Univariate t-tests, Chisquare tests, or Wilcoxon rank-sum tests are performed across the **partitions** as a preliminary analysis. Table 2 indicates that the variable of interest OUTBD, measured as the percentage of outside directors on the board of directors...

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01752443 04-03434

Partition structures and sufficient statistics

Joyce, Paul

Journal of Applied Probability v35n3 PP: 622-632 Sep 1998

ISSN: 0021-9002 JRNL CODE: APP

ABSTRACT: Is the Ewens distribution the only one-parameter family of **partition** structures where the total number of types **sampled** is a sufficient **statistic**? In general, the answer is no. It is shown that all counterexamples can be generated via an urn scheme. The urn scheme need only satisfy...

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01318296 99-67692

Recession-induced stress and the prediction of corporate failure

Kane, Gregory D; Richardson, Frederick M; Graybeal, Patricia

Contemporary Accounting Research v13n2 PP: 631-650 Fall 1996

ISSN: 0823-9150 JRNL CODE: CAR

WORD COUNT: 7023

...TEXT: and nonstressed firms (replicating Hopwood et al.) and between firms undergoing recession and those not undergoing recession.

This result is further refined by dividing the **sample** into the four **partitions** described earlier and testing for incremental improvements from stress and recession knowledge. The lambda **statistic** for the difference between the unconditioned and the recession- and stressed-controlled model -2LogL measures is 126.783 (24 df), and is also statistically significant...

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01318293 99-67689

The effects of cross-sectional scale differences on regression results in empirical accounting research

Barth, Mary E; Kallapur, Sanjay

Contemporary Accounting Research v13n2 PP: 527-567 Fall 1996

ISSN: 0823-9150 JRNL CODE: CAR

WORD COUNT: 15195

...TEXT: the sample median and zero otherwise. Untabulated findings reveal a significantly positive coefficient on SALESDEPR-c's estimate is 173.34 with a White t- **statistic** of 5.65.

To use Barth (1994) for illustrating the diagnostic, we **partition** Barth's 1989 **sample** based on a scale proxy, book value of equity for the investment securities regressions, and net income for the securities gains and losses regressions. Regression...

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01051787 97-01181

Organizational influence in a model of the moral decision process of accountants

Jones, Scott K; Hildebeitel, Kenneth M

Journal of Business Ethics v14n6 PP: 417-431 Jun 1995

ISSN: 0167-4544 JRNL CODE: JBE

WORD COUNT: 6184

...TEXT: and college training) were not included in any of the final models because of insufficient data, or were eliminated because the analyses showed no apparent **statistical** relationship at any reasonable level for any factor or respondent subset. Area of employment is used to **partition** the **sample** into subgroups for further analysis. Variable X sub 5*6, which we label "employer support", is the interaction between encouragement and training. Model parameters are...

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00964645 96-14038

Life insurer financial distress prediction: A neural network model
Huang, Chin-Sheng; Dorsey, Robert E; Boose, Mary Ann
Journal of Insurance Regulation v13n2 PP: 131-167 Winter 1994
ISSN: 0736-248X JRNL CODE: JIA
WORD COUNT: 8095

...TEXT: group omega sub i if x is in the region Omega sub i. For the financial distress case, the estimation problem is to identify a **statistical** model that best **partitions** the **sample** space of companies' financial ratios into the two groups: FIC and nonFIC.

We also confine ourselves to the Bayes minimal risk decision rule, which is ...

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00789886 94-39278

The effect of government size on economic growth
Sheehey, Edmund J
Eastern Economic Journal v19n3 PP: 321-328 Summer 1993
ISSN: 0094-5056 JRNL CODE: EEJ
WORD COUNT: 3215

...TEXT: tests do reject the hypothesis that the coefficients are the same in the two sets of countries and the level of real GDP chosen to **partition** the **sample** was that which maximized the F **statistic** in this test.(10) These results suggest that the significantly negative impact of a larger government share is confined to the high income countries. For...

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00251912 84-30473

The Use of Binary Search Trees in External Distribution Sorting
Cooper, David; Lynch, Michael F.
Information Processing & Management v20n4 PP: 547-557 1984
ISSN: 0306-4573 JRNL CODE: IPM

...ABSTRACT: based on the use of binary search trees for tree partitioning. With the new method, incoming files are decomposed into partitions with binary trees until **partitions** reach a manageable size for internal sorting. The search tree is generated by deriving **statistics** from a small **sample** of the data to be sorted. The method should be applicable to any data characterized by some degree of regularity, such as bibliographic and natural...

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S10	26	S1(S)S3(S)S5:S6
S11	27	S9:S10
S12	18	S2(S)S3 AND IC=G06F
S13	10	S12 NOT S11
S14	145	S1(S)S3 AND IC=G06F
S15	34	S3(S)S5(S)S6
S16	13	S15 AND IC=G06F
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S18	80	S3(S)S5:S6 AND IC=G06F
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S24	12	S23 NOT (S11 OR S13 OR S17)
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S26	34	S25/TI,AB,CM
S27	29	S26 NOT (S11 OR S13 OR S17 OR S24)
S28	79	PARTITION? ?(10N)STATISTIC??
S29	38	S28 AND IC=G06F
S30	37	S29 NOT (S11 OR S13 OR S17 OR S24 OR S27)

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**DATA MINING APPLICATION WITH IMPROVED DATA MINING ALGORITHM SELECTION
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English Abstract

A training database (including data mining algorithm descriptions and metafeatures characterizing probability density functions of features) in the memory and computer readable program code (i) to extract features that classify data, (ii) to calculate metafeatures describing the case probability density function, and (iii) to select a data mining algorithm by using the training database to map the calculated metafeatures describing the case probability density function to the selected data mining algorithm. The frequency of the occurrence of features with respect to datum in the data defining a case probability density function.

French Abstract

L'invention concerne une base de données d'entraînement (comportant des descriptions et des méta-éléments d'algorithme d'exploration en profondeur de données caractérisant des densités de probabilité d'éléments) logée en mémoire, et un code de programme lisible par ordinateur destiné à: (i) extraire des éléments de classement des données; (ii) calculer des méta-éléments décrivant la densité de probabilité du cas; (iii) choisir un algorithme d'exploration en profondeur de données en utilisant la base de données d'entraînement pour mapper les méta-éléments calculés décrivant la densité de probabilité du cas relativement à l'algorithme d'exploration en profondeur de données choisi. La fréquence d'occurrence des éléments par rapport à la référence dans les données définit une densité de probabilité du cas.

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... this embodiment may also identify a point of diminishing returns in the number of features and estimate feature robustness. The computer readable program code to **estimate** feature robustness may also **partition** the data into subsets, temporally, sequentially, randomly, or otherwise. The computer readable program code to estimate feature robustness in this embodiment may then calculate the entropy of each subset as a **statistical** measure of similarity. The computer readable program code in this embodiment may also identify parameters (such as user preferences, real-time deployment issues, available memory...

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STORAGE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR DOCUMENT IMAGE DATABASE

SYSTEME DE GESTION DE MEMOIRE POUR BASE DE DONNEES D'IMAGERIE DOCUMENTAIRE

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Claims

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English Abstract

A method of managing storage in a document image **database** (14) using document **analysis** (32) to **partition** documents into logical regions and modified by reducing storage size of the regions using different reduction modifiers according to various storage preference rules (78). Storage preference rules are intended to maintain high quality representations of important document information while reducing storage requirements at the expense of lesser important aspects of the document. In particular, the different reduction modifiers (34) applied to stored document images include reducing **sampling** depth, reducing **sampling** resolution based on minimum font size, utilizing lossy and lossless compression schemes and discarding unimportant regions of document image. Over time, document analysis and modification can be repeated to further reduce the storage size of previously stored data files (50, 52, 54).

French Abstract

L'invention concerne un procede permettant de gerer la memoire d'une base de donnees d'imagerie documentaire (14) en utilisant l'analyse de documents (32). Celle-ci permet de diviser les documents en regions logiques et de les modifier en reduisant leur volume de memoire. Cette derniere operation se fait a l'aide de modificateurs de reduction et selon differentes regles preferentielles de stockage (78). Ces dernieres ont pour but de conserver la haute qualite des representations de documents importants tout en reduisant les exigences de stockage aux depens de certains aspects des documents qui presentent une moindre importance. En particulier, les differents modificateurs de reduction (34) appliques aux images stockees comprennent la reduction de la densite d'echantillonnage, la reduction de la resolution d'echantillonnage basee sur la police minimum, l'utilisation de procedes de compression a pertes et sans pertes et l'exclusion des regions des documents qui ne presentent

pas d'importance. Par la suite, l'analyse de documents et la modification peuvent etre repetees afin de reduire a nouveau le volume de memoire des fichiers precedemment stockes (50, 52, 54).

English Abstract

A method of managing storage in a document image **database** (14) using document **analysis** (32) to **partition** documents into logical regions and modified by reducing storage size of the regions using different reduction modifiers according to various storage preference rules (78). Storage...

...requirements at the expense of lesser important aspects of the document. In particular, the different reduction modifiers (34) applied to stored document images include reducing **sampling** depth, reducing **sampling** resolution based on minimum font size, utilizing lossy and lossless compression schemes and discarding unimportant regions of document image. Over time, document analysis and modification...

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Provision of continuous database service and scalable query performance
using active redundant copies

Bereitstellung von kontinuierlichen Datenbankdiensten und skalierbarer
Suchleistung durch aktive redundante Kopien

Provision de service de base de donnees et performance d'interrogation
echelonnable par l'usage des copies redondantes

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A method and apparatus for distributing computer resources in a network environment. A network of computer systems is **partitioned** into at least one **computing** system **partition**, and is configured into at least one redundancy group. The **computing** system **partitions** include applications, **computing** system nodes, and **copies** of a **database** schema. The **copies** of the **database** schema are **replicated** at each **computing** system **partition** within a network. The **computing** system **partition** manages interactions between the instances, the computing system nodes, and the **copy** of the **database** schema within the respective **computing** system **partition**. The redundancy group comprises at least one computing system and at a plurality of **computing** system **partitions**, and manages the **replication** of the **database** schema within the **computing** system and **computing** system **partitions**.

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- at least one **computing system partition**, including at least one instance of an application, at least one computing system node, and at least one **copy** of a **database** schema, the **copies** of the **database** schema being **replicated** at each **computing system partition** within a network, and wherein each **computing system partition** manages interactions between the instances, the computing system nodes, and the **copy** of the **database** schema within the respective **computing system partition**;
 - a plurality of **computing** systems connected together via the network, wherein each computing system comprises one or more computing system partitions;
 - at least one redundancy group, comprising at least one computing system and a plurality of **computing system partitions**, wherein each redundancy group manages the **replication** of the **database** schema within the **computing system** and **computing system partitions** within the redundancy group.
2. The system of claim 1, wherein the redundancy group defines a first computing system as the computing system that replicates...
- ...10. A method for distributing computer resources in a network environment, comprising the steps of:
- assembling, as part of a computer network, at least one **computing system partition**, including at least one instance of an application, at least one computing system node, and at least one **copy** of a **database** schema, the **copies** of the **database** schema being **replicated** at each **computing system partition** within the computer network;
 - configuring, within the computer network, a plurality of computing systems connected together via the computer network, wherein each computing system comprises...
- ...method of claim 10, wherein the task is a database replication within the computer network.
- 12. The method of claim 11, wherein the task of **database replication** is performed by a first **computing system partition** within the redundancy group.
 - 13. The method of claim 12, wherein the task of **database replication** is performed by a second **computing system partition** within the redundancy group when the first **computing system partition** is unavailable.
 - 14. The method of claim 10, wherein the redundancy group can be redefined to include a different set of computing systems.
 - 15. The...
- ...method for providing database access, comprising the steps of:
- operating at least one computing system within a network, the computing system containing at least one **computing system partition** and the **computing system** being a member of a redundancy group, wherein the **computing system partition** includes at least one instance of an application, at least one computing system node, and at least one **copy** of a **database** schema, the **copies** of the **database** schema being **replicated** at each **computing system partition** within a network; and
 - managing the **replication** of the **database** schema within the **computing system** and **computing system partitions** within the redundancy group.

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Failure recovery of partitioned computer systems including a database schema
 Ausfallbeseitigung von verteilten Rechnersystemen die Datenbankschemata beinhalten
 Retablissement de defaillance de systemes d'ordinateurs partages contenant

un schema de base de donnees

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A method and apparatus for automatically redistributing tasks to reduce the effect of a computer outage on a computer network. The apparatus comprises at least one redundancy group comprised of one or more computing systems, comprised of one or more **computing system partitions**. The **computing system partition** includes **copies** of a **database schema** that are **replicated** at each **computing system partition**. The redundancy group monitors the status of the **computing systems** and the **computing system partitions**, and assigns a task to the computing systems based on the monitored status of the computing systems.

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...ABSTRACT outage on a computer network. The apparatus comprises at least one redundancy group comprised of one or more computing systems, comprised of one or more **computing system partitions**. The **computing system partition** includes **copies** of a **database schema** that are **replicated** at each **computing system partition**. The redundancy group monitors the status of the **computing systems** and the **computing system partitions**, and assigns a task to the computing systems based on the monitored status of the computing systems.

...SPECIFICATION in a failure recovery system, characterized by:

one or more computing systems connected together via a network, wherein each computing system comprises one or more **computing system partitions** each including at least one **copy** of a **database schema**, the **copies** of the **database schema** being **replicated** at each **computing system partition** within a network;

at least one redundancy group comprised of the computing systems and the computing system partitions, wherein each redundancy group monitors a status...

...from a computer failure, characterized by the steps of:

operating one or more computing systems within a network, the computing systems comprising one or more **computing system partitions** each including at least one **copy** of a **database schema**, the **copies**

...accordance with the present invention comprises at least one redundancy group comprised of one or more computing systems, which are comprised of one or more **computing system partitions**. The **computing system partition** includes **copies** of a **database** schema that are **replicated** at each **computing system partition**. The redundancy group monitors the status of the **computing systems** and the **computing system partitions**, and assigns a task to the computing systems based on the monitored status of the computing systems.

The foregoing description of the preferred embodiment of...

CLAIMS 1. A failure recovery system, characterized by:

one or more computing systems connected together via a network, wherein each computing system comprises one or more **computing system partitions** each including at least one **copy** of a **database** schema, the **copies** of the **database** schema being **replicated** at each **computing system partition** within a network;
at least one redundancy group comprised of the computing systems and the computing system partitions, wherein each redundancy group monitors a status...

...from a computer failure, characterized by the steps of:

operating one or more computing systems within a network, the computing systems comprising one or more **computing system partitions** each including at least one **copy** of a **database** schema, the **copies** of the **database** schema being **replicated** at each **computing system partition** within a network;
configuring the **computing systems** into at least one redundancy group;
monitoring a status of the computing systems and the computing system partitions within the redundancy group; and
assigning...

...computer network, characterized by the steps of

operating one or more computing systems within the computer network, wherein the computing system includes at least one **computing system partition**, the **computing system partition** having at least one **copy** of a **database** schema;
configuring the computing systems together via the computer network;
configuring, within the computer network, at least one redundancy group, comprising one or more computing...

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FLEXIBLE MULTI-PLATFORM PARTITIONING FOR COMPUTER APPLICATIONS

FLEXIBLE MEHRFACH-PLATTFORM-AUFTEILUNG FUR RECHNERANWENDUNGEN

PARTITIONNEMENT FLEXIBLE DE PLATE-FORMES POUR APPLICATIONS SUR ORDINATEUR

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...SPECIFICATION support a greater load. In this case, the RDBMS access partition should run on each node where an RDBMS engine is located. Forte supports the **replication** of this **RDBMS** access partition and provides a router to allow multiple RDBMS engines to service the next RDBMS request in the application queue. The other reason for...

...back-up node. For example, a node may provide a key analytical service or image for the user. In these cases it is possible to **define** a replicated **partition** as an alternate node that can be accessed in the event that the primary node is unavailable. Forte also provides a router that can access...

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AUTOMATIC DATABASE REPLICATION SERVER AND METHODS
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English Abstract

Systems and methods for automatically replicating database information. A subscription database (110) is queried by a database replication server (120) to obtain custom attributes defined in a plurality of custom database information subscriptions (115). The custom attributes for each database information subscription (115) include: (a) the identification of one or more master subscription databases (130), and (b), at least one operation to be performed on the one or more master subscription database to create a custom information database. The operation(s) to be performed can include merging database information contained in records (135) from two or more master subscription databases (130), partitioning database information contained in one or more master subscription databases (130). The operations identified by the custom attributes for each custom database information subscription (115) are used to automatically generate custom information databases (140) containing preferred database information from the master subscription databases (130).

French Abstract

L'invention concerne des systemes et des procedes permettant de repliquer automatiquement des informations de bases de donnees. Un serveur de replication (120) de base de donnees demande a une base de donnees d'abonnement (110) d'obtenir des attributs personnalises definis dans une pluralite d'abonnements d'informations (115) de base de donnees personnalisee. Les attributs personnalises de chaque abonnement d'informations (115) de base de donnees comprennent a) l'identification d'au moins une base de donnees (130) d'abonnement maitre, et b) au moins une operation a executer sur la base de donnees d'abonnement maitre afin de creer une base de donnees d'informations personnalisee. La ou les operation(s) a effectuer consistent a fusionner les informations de base de donnees contenues dans des enregistrements (135) a partir d'au moins deux bases de donnees (130) d'abonnement maitres, et a partitionner les informations de base de donnees contenues dans la base de donnees (130) d'abonnement maitre. Les operations identifiees par les attributs personnalises pour chaque abonnement d'informations (115) de base de donnees personnalisee sont automatiquement utilisees pour creer des bases de donnees (140) d'informations personnalisees contenant des informations

de base de donnees preferees provenant des bases de donnees (130)
d'abonnement maitres.

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... Next, in Step 370, it is determined from the custom attributes whether
the custom database information subscription requires a partition
operation. If so, a partitioned **copy** of the identified Master
Subscription **Database** 130 is created (Step 375). Regardless of the need
for **partitioning**, it is also **determined** whether the custom database
information subscription requires a merging operation (Step
380). If so, the identified databases are merged (Step 285); the merged
databases can...

...can also identify one or more filtering operations to be performed on a
database (Step 0 380). If a filtering operation is identified, the local
copy of the identified Master Subscription **Database** 130 is filtered
using the specified criteria (Step 395); the resulting database can be
stored in a local database and/or in a publication database...

Claim

... of said
custom database information subscriptions by performing said at least one
operation on said database information stored in said one or more master
subscription **databases**.

10 The **database replication** server recited in Claim 9, wherein said
merging, **partitioning** and filtering operations are **definable** on a
record or record field basis

11 The database replication server recited in Claim 9, wherein said act
of
generating said custom information database...

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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMPROVED DOCUMENT SEARCHING

PROCEDE ET APPAREIL POUR AMELIORER LA RECHERCHE DE DOCUMENTS

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French Abstract

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Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... and the COMMUNICATOR and NAVIGATOR products supplied by Netscape Communications Corp.

To support analysis module 225 (if included), main memory 204 may also include a **partition** defining a series of databases capable of storing the linguistic units of the invention; these are representatively de noted by reference numerals 2351, 2352, 2353i 2354...

...col

umns-the first containing the linguistic unit, the second containing a definition (if the linguistic unit has more than one meaning and is therefore **replicated** in the **database**), and the third containing a

synonyms.

An input buffer 240 receives from the user, via keyboard 210, an input sentence. Analysis module 225 examines the...

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FIRST COME MEMORY ACCESSING WITHOUT CONFLICT

SYSTEME D'ACCES MEMOIRE SANS CONFLIT SELON LE PRINCIPE DE PREMIER ARRIVE

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Claims

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English Abstract

An information storage system (100) includes a controller (116) for managing the resources of a common mass storage device (128) in order to enable multiple hosts (104, 104) connected to a common bus (106) to independently read and write to the mass storage device (128) in a relatively high speed manner on a first come, real time basis. In particular, a system of commands is provided which enables each host (104) to read and write to the mass storage device (128) on an independent, first come, real time basis by locking the requested address space irrespective of the origination. Even though an address storage space may be locked, the data within such space is always readable by another host (104). Should a subsequent host (104) issue a command to write to the locked address space, the command is aborted and a flag is set indicating to the subsequent requesting host (104) that the area is locked.

French Abstract

Un systeme de memorisation d'informations (100) comprend un controleur (116) pour gerer les ressources d'une memoire de masse commune (128) afin de permettre a un grand nombre d'hotes (104, 104) connectes a un bus commun (106) de lire et d'ecrire independamment dans la memoire de masse (128), avec une vitesse relativement elevee, en temps reel, et selon un systeme de premier arrive. En particulier, un systeme d'instructions est prevu qui permet a chaque hote (104) de lire et d'ecrire dans la memoire de masse (128), selon un systeme en temps reel de premier arrive, en verrouillant l'espace d'adressage demande quelle que soit son origine. Meme si un espace d'adressage peut etre verrouille, les donnees contenues dans cet espace peuvent toujours etre lues par un autre hote (104). Lorsqu'un autre hote (104) emit une instruction pour lire l'espace d'adressage verrouille, l'instruction est avortee et un drapeau est place pour indiquer a l'autre hote (104) que la zone est verrouillee.

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Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... e.g.,
audit space 146, data space 148, keys space 150, swap space 152 and pads
2 0 space 154). After the pointers for the **partitions** 142 and 144 are
determined, additional **copies** of the new **database** address table are
stored in various
protected memory storage areas. for example, one or both of the special
purpose storage spaces 156 in step 532...

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00872757

Method and apparatus for controlling access to and corruption of
information in computer systems

Verfahren und Anordnung für die Zugangs- und Informationsverfälschungskontrolle in Rechnersystemen

Procédé et appareil de limitation de l'accès aux informations contenues dans des systèmes d'ordinateur, ainsi que de leurs alterations

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ABSTRACT EP 800135 A1

There is disclosed a method and apparatus for controlling access to and corruption of information in a computer system. In known "PC Virus" protection methods the boot partition becomes "Read Only" when the system is in Supervised Mode. However, Microsoft Windows, although not strictly self-modifying, does require that certain files located within the Windows directory, can be written to. Accordingly the present invention provides a method of controlling access to and modification of information stored on a storage medium forming part of a computer system comprising: dividing information stored on the storage medium into a plurality of non-overlapping partitions including a boot partition and at least one general partition, characterised by: designating at least one of said partitions a Write Many Recoverable (WMR) partition wherein, in use, if a write command is issued to overwrite any resident information stored in a/the WMR partition by updating information is written on the storage medium in a location other than where the resident information is stored and a (virtual) pointer to the updated information is set up/kept so that the updated information can be accessed, as required during a remainder of a session.

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...CLAIMS a Sector Relocation Table (SRT) associated with it which table is held a Random Access Memory (RAM) of the Supervisor, each entry in a SRT defining the address of a range of sectors in the WMR

partition that have been updated and an address where the updated information is located, this location being within the dedicated area.

9. An apparatus for controlling...

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Method and means for creating distributed object-oriented applications
Verfahren und Mittel zur Herstellung von distribuierten Objekt-orientierten Anwendungen

Procede et moyens pour creer des applications oriente-objets distribuees

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A software partitioning tool is disclosed. Based on a visual display of an application that shows program objects and the connections or interactions between the objects, an internal representation of the application is defined. As the user interacts with the visual display of the application, creating new partitions and relocating program objects in the new partitions, the internal representation of the display is constantly updated. Once a connection between program objects crosses partition boundaries, it is redefined in the internal representation as a distributed interaction (a connection), and representative server and client stubs are defined. At a number of points, the user also has the opportunity to set middleware protocols. Once the user commits to a distribution design, a code generator in the tool generates the actual server and client stubs for all distributed connections based on the definitions in the internal representation of the application.

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...CLAIMS program object parts and connections between the objects;
defining an internal representation of the displayed application;
in response to user action, displaying at least one **partition boundary** and **defining** said at least one **partition boundary** in the internal representation;
in response to user action, relocating, on the displayed application, at least one program object so that its connection with other program

objects cross said at least one **partition boundary** and **defining** said connections as distributed connections in the internal representation;
determining from said distributed connections server objects and client objects; and
in response to a user...
...comprising the computer-implemented steps of:
initially defining an internal representation of the objects and connections of the displayed application design;
in response to user **definition** of at least one **partition boundary** in the displayed application design, **defining** corresponding empty partition containers in the internal representation;
in response to user relocation of at least one program object across said at least one partition...
...visual representation of connections between the objects, the tool comprising:
a metadata generator for defining a current internal representation of the displayed application and for **defining** any connections crossing **partition boundaries** in said displayed application as distributed connections in the current internal representation; and
a code generator for generating distributed interfaces for all distributed connections defined...
...internal representation of the objects and connections of the displayed application design;
computer readable program code means for causing the computer, in response to user **definition** of at least one **partition boundary** in the displayed application design, to define corresponding empty partition containers in the internal representation;
computer readable program code means for causing the computer, in...

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Partitioning of sorted lists for multiprocessor sort and merge.
Verteilung geordneter Listen zur Mehrprozessor-Sortierung und zum -Mischen.
Decoupage de listes trieées pour le tri et la fusion par plusieurs processeurs.

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Any number of sorted lists are efficiently partitioned into P lists, where P represents the number of processors available to sort the resulting lists. When given a large list to sort, the list is initially divided into P lists, and each processor sorts one of these lists. The lists are then exactly partitioned so that each of the elements in the new consecutive partitioned lists have values no smaller than any of the elements in the lists before it, nor larger than any of the elements in the list following it. Partitioning is done by P-1 processors. Each of the processors successively considers selected rows of elements from the sorted lists, and moves a partition boundary based on an element magnitude requirement and a partition size requirement. The new partitioned lists are then merged by the P processors, and simply strung together to provide a sorted list of all the elements.

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...CLAIMS consideration;

- b) fixing a partition boundary near the middle row of elements;
- c) determining the maximum value of all the elements under consideration above the **partition boundary**;
- d) **determining** the elements under consideration below the partition boundary that are less than the maximum value;
- e) moving elements about the boundary based on the size...

...of elements which should be moved to make the partitions the correct size; and

moving the number of elements to be moved to make the **partitions** the correct **size** minus the number of elements **determined** in step d from below the boundary to above the boundary.

9. A method of sorting a list of N elements using P processors, where

...

...comprising the steps of:

- a) dividing the list into P sublists of approximately N/P elements;
- b) each processor sorting one of the sublists;
- c) **defining** P-1 **partition boundaries**, each **boundary** being **defined** by one of P-1 of the processors, said boundaries dividing the lists into nearly equal partitions of elements having values less than all of...

...the presorted lists, each processor comprising:

- means for selectively and iteratively adding elements from the lists to a partitioning list;
- means for selecting an initial **partition boundary** for the

partitioning list;

means for **determining** a **size** modifier based on the desired number of elements above the partition boundary versus the actual number of elements above the **partition boundary**;

means for **determining** a **magnitude** modifier based on the number of elements below the partition boundary which are less than the magnitude of the largest element above the partition boundary...

...the presorted lists, each processor comprising:

means for selectively and iteratively adding elements from the lists to a partitioning list;

means for selecting an initial **partition boundary** for the **partitioning list**;

means for **determining** a **size** modifier;

means for **determining** a magnitude modifier; and

means for modifying the partition boundary as a function of the size modifier and magnitude modifier following each iterative addition of...

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ARCHITECTURE FOR PROVIDING BLOCK-LEVEL STORAGE ACCESS OVER A COMPUTER NETWORK

ARCHITECTURE D'ACCES A UN STOCKAGE DE NIVEAU BLOC, SUR UN RESEAU INFORMATIQUE

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Claims

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English Abstract

A network-based storage system comprises one or more block-level storage

servers (104) that connect to, and provide disk storage for, one or more host computers (102) over logical network connections (preferably TCP/IP sockets) 400. In one embodiment, each host (102) can maintain one or more socket connections (400) to each storage server (104), over which multiple I/O operations may be performed concurrently in a non-blocking manner. The physical storage of a storage server (104) may optionally be divided into multiple partitions, each of which may be independently assigned to a particular host (102) or to a group of hosts. Host driver software (204) presents these partitions to user-level processes as one or more local disk drives. When a host (102) initially connects to a storage server (104) in one embodiment, the storage server (104) initially authenticates the host, and then notifies the host (102) of the ports that may be used to establish data connections (400) and of the partitions assigned to that host (102).

French Abstract

L'invention concerne un systeme de stockage base reseau, comprenant au moins un serveur de stockage de niveau bloc (104), lequel se connecte a un ou plusieurs ordinateurs hotes (102), sur des connexions reseau logiques (400) (de preference des prises TCP/IP), et permet le stockage disque pour ce ou ces ordinateurs. Dans un mode de realisation, chaque hote (102) peut conserver une ou plusieurs connexions de prise (400) avec chaque serveur de stockage (104), connexions par l'intermediaire desquelles il est possible d'executer plusieurs operations d'E/S, de maniere concurrente, sans blocage. Le stockage physique d'un serveur de stockage (104) peut se decouper eventuellement en plusieurs partitions, chacune pouvant etre assignee de maniere independante a un hote en particulier (102) ou a un groupe d'hotes. Le logiciel de pilotage hote (204) presente ces partitions aux procedes niveau utilisateur, sous forme d'une ou plusieurs unites de disques locaux. Dans un mode de realisation, lorsqu'un hote (102) se connecte d'abord a un serveur de stockage (104), le serveur de stockage (104) authentifie d'abord l'hote (102), puis indique a ce dernier les ports qui peuvent etre utilises aux fins d'etablissement de connexions de donnees (400), ainsi que les partitions assignees a cet hote (102).

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Claims

Claim

... provides functionality for allocating a partition to multiple host computers to permit sharing of partitions.

42 The storage server system of Claim 38, wherein the **partitions** have a user- **definable** **size** .

43 The storage server system of Claim 38, wherein the software system supports the ability for a host computer to concurrently perform multiple input/output operations over...

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MERGING COMPUTER PARTITIONS

FUSION DE PARTITIONS D'ORDINATEUR

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Claims

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English Abstract

Methods and systems (1000) are provided for merging computer disk partitions to reduce the number of partitions (1010). Unlike conventional approaches that rely on FDISK, the invention does not destroy user data on the disk (1008) during or after the two or more partitions are merged. Two or more adjoining partitions may be combined. During a merging operation, partitions may have their clusters aligned (612) or resized (614). The merging partitions may also have their partition type changed (606). During the merge at least one copy of all system and user data of all partitions is kept on a disk at all times, reducing the risk of data loss.

French Abstract

L'invention concerne des procedes et des systemes (1000) destines a fusionner des partitions de disque afin de reduire le nombre de partitions (1010). Contrairement aux approches traditionnelles qui reposent sur l'utilisation de FDISK, la presente invention ne detruit pas les donnees utilisateurs du disque (1008) durant ou apres la fusion des deux partitions ou plus. Deux partitions adjacentes ou plus peuvent etre associees. Au cours de l'operation de fusion, les blocs des partitions peuvent etre alignes (612) ou redimensionnes (614). Le type de partition des partitions qui fusionnent est egalement modifie (606). Au cours de la fusion, au moins une copie de toutes les donnees du systeme et des donnees utilisateur de toutes les partitions sont conservees en permanence sur un disque, ce qui reduit ainsi le risque de perte de donnees.

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Claims

Claim

... The method of claim 1, further comprising completing the merger of each secondary partition into the target partition to produce the merged partition, the merged **partition** having the **determined** cluster **size** and the **determined** **partition** type, the method being performed without destroying user data of the target partition except at user request and without destroying user data of any secondary...progress markers corresponding to incrementally increasing portions of the merged partition production.

32 The system of claim 27, wherein the system further comprises a cluster

size checker which determines whether a partition needs to have its clusters resized, and the system further comprises a cluster resizer which resizes those clusters of the partition which the cluster size determiner has determined need to be resized.

33 The system of claim 27, wherein the system preserves at least one copy of all system data of all merging...

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METHODS AND DEVICES FOR SELECTING DATA FILES

PROCEDES ET DISPOSITIFS DE SELECTION D'ARTICLES TELS QUE DES FICHIERS DE DONNEES

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Detailed Description

Claims

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English Abstract

A method is described for allowing a user to select one of a plurality of items. The user employs a device having a display area, and a joystick or a contact sensitive area. The device displays a number of regions equal to the number of items, and defines a number of sections in the angular range of the joystick, or sections within the contact sensitive area, equal to the number of items, and arranged corresponding to the arrangement of the regions of the display area. The user selects one of said items by selecting the corresponding section.

French Abstract

L'invention a trait a un procede permettant a un utilisateur de selectionner un article parmi plusieurs. L'utilisateur utilise un dispositif dote d'une zone d'affichage et un module d'instruction ou une zone sensible de contact. Le dispositif affiche un certain nombre de regions egales au nombre d'articles, et definit un certain nombre de sections dans la portee angulaire dudit module, ou de sections a l'interieur de la zone sensible de contact egales au nombre d'articles et disposees de maniere a correspondre a la disposition des regions de la zone d'affichage. L'utilisateur selectionne un desdits articles en choisissant la section correspondante.

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Fulltext Availability:

Claims

Claim

... one of said
sections.

4 A method according to claim 3 in which the sections
collectively cover the whole of the angular range, so
that **defining** the sections is equivalent to **partitioning**
the angular **range**.

5 A method according to any preceding claim in which
the user can (i) vary the selection of the item,
information being displayed in relation...

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COMPUTER SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR OPERATING MULTIPLE OPERATING SYSTEMS IN
DIFFERENT PARTITIONS OF THE COMPUTER SYSTEM AND FOR ALLOWING THE
DIFFERENT PARTITIONS TO COMMUNICATE WITH ONE ANOTHER THROUGH SHARED
MEMORY

SYSTEME ET PROCEDE INFORMATIQUES DE COMMANDE DE SYSTEMES D'EXPLOITATION
MULTIPLES DANS DIFFERENTES PARTITIONS DU SYSTEME INFORMATIQUE ET
PERMETTANT AUX DIFFERENTES PARTITIONS DE COMMUNIQUER ENTRE ELLES PAR
UNE MEMOIRE PARTAGEE

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Publication Language: English

Fulltext Availability:

Detailed Description

Claims

Fulltext Word Count: 45843

English Abstract

A computer system comprises a plurality of processing modules that can
be configured into different partitions within the computer system, and a
main memory. Each partition operates under the control of a separate
operating system. At least one shared memory window is defined within the
main memory to which multiple partitions have shared access, and each

partition may also be assigned and exclusive memory window. Program code executing on different partitions enables those partitions to communicate with each other through the shared memory window. Means are also provided for mapping the physical address space of the processors in each partition to the respective exclusive memory windows assigned to each partition, so that the exclusive memory windows assigned to each partition appear to the respective operating systems executing on those partitions as if they all start at the same base address.

French Abstract

L'invention concerne un systeme informatique qui comprend une pluralite de modules de traitement que l'on peut configurer en differentes partitions dans le systeme informatique, et une memoire principale. Chaque partition fonctionne sous la commande d'un systeme d'exploitation separe. Au moins une fenetre de memoire partagee est definie dans la memoire principale a laquelle plusieurs partitions ont un acces partage, et chaque partition peut aussi se faire attribuer une fenetre de memoire exclusive. L'execution d'un code programme dans differentes partitions permet a ces partitions de communiquer entre elles par la fenetre de memoire partagee. Cette invention concerne aussi des moyens permettant de projeter l'espace d'adresses physiques des processeurs dans chaque partition dans les fenetres de memoire exclusives respectives attribuees a chaque partition, de facon que les fenetres de memoire exclusives attribuees a chaque partition semblent toutes partir de la meme adresse de base pour les systemes d'exploitation respectifs qui s'exercent dans ces partitions.

Fulltext Availability:
Claims

Claim

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... DATA
i 1314
RELEASE SUB-PODS FROM RESET
(IDENTIFY BIOS SUB-PODS (BSPs))
1316
INITIALIZE PCI
BUSSES
i 1318
READ CONFIGURATION DATA OPTIONAL
TO IDENTIFY PARTITIONS
1320
CALCULATE SIZE OF
HIGH AND LOW
MEMORY HOLES
1322
INFORM MANAGEMENT INTERFACE
PROCESSOR (MIP) OF THE AMOUNT OF
MEMORY-MAPPED I/O SPACE REQUIRED
BY PCI CARDS...
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PROTECTED STORAGE DEVICE FOR COMPUTER SYSTEM
DISPOSITIF DE STOCKAGE PROTEGE POUR SYSTEME INFORMATIQUE
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LU MC NL PT SE

Main International Patent Class: G06F-001/00

Publication Language: English

Fulltext Availability:

Detailed Description

Claims

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English Abstract

The invention is a storage device (1) for a host computer system. The device (1) incorporates a Supervisor function for controlling access to information stored in a storage medium (2) of the device. The main embodiment described is a hard disk drive (1) comprising: one or more disk platters (2) for storing information; a ROM (4) for storing firmware for controlling operation of the drive; a volatile RAM (5); a micro-controller (7) for controlling the transfer of information to and from the disk platter(s) (2); and an interface (6) for interfacing the drive (1) with the host computer system and via which information is transferred to and from the disk platter(s) (2) under the control of the micro-controller (7). A Supervisor is provided in the form of firmware which is preferably stored in the ROM (4), the Supervisor operating the micro-controller (7) so as to protect information stored on the disk platter(s).

French Abstract

La presente invention concerne un dispositif de stockage (1) destine a un systeme informatique hote. Le dispositif de l'invention (1) comprend une fonction de superviseur qui commande l'accès aux informations stockees sur un support de stockage (2) du dispositif. Dans le mode de realisation principal, le dispositif est compose d'une unite de disque dur (1) comprenant: un ou plusieurs supports disques (2) destines a stocker les informations; une ROM (4) destinee a stocker les logiciels microprogrammes qui commandent le fonctionnement de l'unite; une RAM volatile (5); un microcontrôleur (7) qui commande le transfert des informations depuis et vers le(s) support(s) disque(s) (2); et une interface (6) qui assure l'interfacage entre l'unite de disque (1) et le systeme informatique hote et via laquelle les informations sont transferees vers et depuis le(s) support(s) disque(s) (2) sous le controle du microcontrôleur (7). Un programme superviseur, se presentant sous la forme d'un logiciel microprogramme stocke dans la ROM (4), assure le fonctionnement du microcontrôleur (7) de facon a proteger les informations stockees sur le(s) support(s) disque(s) (2).

Fulltext Availability:

Claims

Claim

... is held in said volatile RAM means

35 (5) of the storage device (1), and each entry in a said SRT is a pointer which defines the address of a range of sectors in the WMR partition that have been updated and an address where the updated information is located, this location being within a dedicated area on the storage medium (2...

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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DYNAMIC QUEUE SIZING

PROCEDE ET APPAREIL SERVANT A DIMENSIONNER DE FACON DYNAMIQUE DES FILES
D'ATTENTE

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Main International Patent Class: G06F-013/00

Publication Language: English

Fulltext Availability:

Detailed Description

Claims

Fulltext Word Count: 4903

English Abstract

A system and method for dynamically resizing queues (1023) used in a network switch (210) to accommodate potential congestion situations without experiencing data loss. In one embodiment, partition pointer registers (410) are used to indicate when resizing is desirable. The control logic (405) then determines when it is safe to update the size of the queue such that no data loss occurs and timely updates the queue size.

French Abstract

L'invention concerne un systeme et un procede servant a redimensionner de facon dynamique des files d'attente (1023) dans un centre de commutation (210) de reseau, afin de faire face a des situations potentielles de congestion sans pertes de donnees. Dans un mode de realisation, des registres (410) de pointeurs de partition sont utilises pour indiquer quand un redimensionnement est souhaitable. La logique (405) de commande determine ensuite le moment le plus sur pour mettre a jour la dimension de la file d'attente afin qu'il n'y ait aucune perte de donnees, et effectue la mise a jour de la file d'attente au bon moment.

Fulltext Availability:

Claims

Claim

... one queue;

for each partition boundary to be updated;

checking states of the at least one queue affected by movement

of the location of the **partition boundary** ;

determining when it is safe to move each location of the

partition boundary ; and

when it is **determined** that it is safe to move the location of the

partition boundary, updating the partition boundary to the updated location.

2 The method...

...not located in the area affected by movement of the partition boundary.

5 An apparatus comprising:

a memory comprising at least one queue, each queue **defined** by

partition boundaries ;

at least one **partition** pointer, each partition pointer identifying a location of a partition boundary; and

control logic coupled to the memory and the at least one partition pointer...to indicate an updated location of the partition boundary;

checking states of at least one queue affected by movement of the

location of the **partition boundary** ;

determining when it is safe to move the location of the **partition**

boundary ; and

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when it is **determined** that it is safe to move the location of the partition boundary, updating the partition boundary to the updated

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Set	Items	Description
S1	116972	DATABASE? ? OR DATA()BASE? ? OR REPOSITOR??? OR DBM OR DBMS OR RDBM OR RDBMS
S2	1688	S1(5N) (DUPLICAT? OR REPLIC? OR COPY??? OR COPIE? ? OR REP- RODUC?)
S3	4451	PARTITION?(5N) (DETERMIN? OR ESTIMAT??? OR ANALYZ? OR ANALY- S? OR ASSESS? OR CALCULAT? OR ASCERTAIN? OR COMPUTE OR COMPUT- ES OR COMPUTED OR COMPUTING OR GAUG? OR EVALUAT? OR FIGURED OR FIGURING OR MEASUR? OR DEFIN?)
S4	339709	SAMPL???
S5	15948	STATISTIC??
S6	1	S2 AND S3 AND S4 AND S5
S7	4	S2 AND S3
S8	68	S1 AND S3
S9	55	S6:S8 AND IC=G06F
S10	5	S9 AND S4:S5
S11	55	S9:S10
S12	8	S7 OR S10
S13	2157	PARTITION?(5N) (SIZE? ? OR SIZING OR BOUNDAR??? OR RANGE? ? OR EXTENT? ? OR MAGNITUDE? ?)
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S15	7	S1 AND S14
S16	30	S14 AND IC=G06F
S17	24	S16 NOT (S12 OR S15)
S18	5	S3 AND S4 AND S5
S19	3	S18 NOT (S12 OR S15 OR S17)
S20	10	S3(S)S5
S21	14	PARTITION? ?(15N)S5
S22	11	S21 NOT (S12 OR S15 OR S17 OR S19)

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XRFX Acc No: N03-397493

Statistical information collection apparatus e.g. for population, for business applications, determines proposed site for shop erection based on statistical data corresponding to each partition on area map

Patent Assignee: KAO CORP (KAOS)

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
JP 2003167881	A	20030613	JP 2001370294	A	20011204	200347 B

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Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
JP 2003167881	A	6	G06F-017/30	

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Abstract (Basic): JP 2003167881 A

NOVELTY - A display unit displays an electronic map of a designated area, which is divided into several partitions. The **databases** (2-6) store **statistical** data including population, number of public institutions, etc., corresponding to each **partitioned** area of the map. A **determination** unit determines a proposed site for erecting a shop based on the **statistical** data corresponding to each partitioned area on the map.

USE - Used in business applications for collecting **statistical** information such as number of public institutions such as schools, number of residents and population composition in designated area, for determining proposed site for erecting shops.

ADVANTAGE - Automatically performs area analysis to determine a suitable erection site efficiently.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the block diagram of the **statistical** data collection system. (Drawing includes non-English language text).

information process (1)

statistical information **databases** (2-6)

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Title Terms: **STATISTICAL** ; INFORMATION; COLLECT; APPARATUS; POPULATION; BUSINESS; APPLY; DETERMINE; PROPOSED; SITE; SHOP; ERECT; BASED; **STATISTICAL** ; DATA; CORRESPOND; PARTITION; AREA; MAP

Derwent Class: P85; T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/30

International Patent Class (Additional): G06F-017/60 ; G09B-029/00;

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File Segment: EPI; EngPI

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XRFX Acc No: N03-281850

Database administration and replication method involves storing statistics for each of database sampled records to perform extrapolated replication partition analysis operation on database

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)

Inventor: HARPER J W; SLISHMAN G R

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
US 20030004973	A1	20030102	US 2001897803	A	20010702	200333 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2001897803 A 20010702

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
US 20030004973	A1		9	G06F-012/00	

Abstract (Basic): US 20030004973 A1

NOVELTY - The **database** records are randomly **sampled** using a random **sampling** facility (26) which is integrated within a **database** management system (14). The **statistics** for each of the **sampled** records are stored, based on which an extrapolated **replication partition analysis** operation on the **database**, is performed.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is included for **database** management system.

USE - For administration and **replication** of **database** storing business setting information, individual and corporate accounts, etc.

ADVANTAGE - Approximation **partition analysis** is performed without straining or otherwise compromising computer system resources. The integrated **sampling** facility reduces number of system calls required for performing the analysis and also enables rapid access to records being retrieved.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows a block diagram of computer system.

database management system (14)

random **sampling** facility (26)

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Title Terms: **DATABASE**; ADMINISTER; REPLICA; METHOD; STORAGE; **STATISTICAL**; **DATABASE**; **SAMPLE**; RECORD; PERFORMANCE; EXTRAPOLATE; REPLICA; PARTITION; ANALYSE; OPERATE; **DATABASE**

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-012/00

File Segment: EPI

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WPI Acc No: 2003-352889/200333

XRFX Acc No: N03-281836

Database partition boundary determination method in information system, involves sampling records of database using random number algorithms, which are added or deleted from database

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)

Inventor: HARPER J W; SLISHMAN G R

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

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US 20030004944	A1	20030102	US 2001897853	A	20010702	200333 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2001897853 A 20010702

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
US 20030004944	A1		10	G06F-007/00	

Abstract (Basic): US 20030004944 A1

NOVELTY - A particular number defining a desired **sample** size is selectively received to provide a seed value for initializing a random number algorithm. The records of a **database** (10) which are randomly **sampled** using the algorithm, are added or deleted from the **database**.

Statistics for each record including a record key is stored to produce an approximation **partition analysis**.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is included for **database partition boundary determination** system.

USE - For **databases** in information system for business application.

ADVANTAGE - Enables obtaining accurate analysis for dynamically changing **databases** even though approximation **partition analysis**

is not mathematically exact.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the block diagram of the computer system.

database (10)

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Title Terms: DATABASE ; PARTITION; BOUNDARY; DETERMINE; METHOD;
INFORMATION; SYSTEM; SAMPLE ; RECORD; DATABASE ; RANDOM; NUMBER;
ALGORITHM; ADD; DELETE; DATABASE

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-007/00

File Segment: EPI

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XRPX Acc No: N03-262700

Characterizing S by the identification of textual and physical structured query fragments, useful for the analysis of textual and biopolymer information

Patent Assignee: US DEPT HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES (USSH)

Inventor: BOISSY R J

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

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US 20020177138	A1	20021128	US 2000248541	P	20001115	200331 B
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Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2000248541 P 20001115; US
2001991013 A 20011114

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
US 20020177138	A1	118	C12Q-001/68	Provisional application	US 2000248541

Abstract (Basic): US 20020177138 A1

NOVELTY - Characterizing (M1) a set of strings (S) comprising receiving S with process-pattern containing substrings, defining series of search target S patterns effective for searching S and processing through an ordered series of search steps, each step being specific for one search class and an attempted discovery of an appropriate search target site to define a delimited search region for the next step, thereby characterizing S, is new.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for:

(1) analyzing (M2) a set of polynucleotides (PN's), comprising identifying electronic structured query fragments using M and isolating physical structured query fragments, where the isolating comprises providing the set of PN's and isolating physical structured query fragments within the set of PN's by isolating fragments that remain after processing the set of PN's through a series of step-wise delimitation processes comprising cleaving the set of PN's with a cleavage effector to form a set of PN fragments including target PN fragments, and retaining only the target PN fragments for a next preemptive cleavage according to each recognition site pattern of the series of recognition site patterns, and comparing the electronic structured query fragments to the physical structured query fragments, thereby analyzing the set of PN's;

(2) isolating and characterizing (M3) a set of PN's using M2;

(3) characterizing (M4) using M1 and defining a process for identifying the process-pattern containing substrings based on a selected arrangement of search targets within a search target string pattern, and performing the process to identify the process-pattern containing substrings within the S for each search target pattern in the series of search target patterns, thereby characterizing the S;

(4) characterizing (M5) sets of strings, comprising receiving one or more sets of strings of any length, where may be found occurrences

of relatively short search-target-strings of interest, and where one or more of the short search-target-strings are used to define a distinct search target, and where several distinct search targets or targets are assembled into structured entities known as search target groups, where a search target group is comprised of a partition search target that is used to partition the sets of strings under study into substrings or partition fragments bounded by consecutive occurrences of the partition search target, and a small array of a limited number M of major classes or ordered sets of search targets, where each major class is comprised of a limited number of ranked member search targets, and where a search target group of target group, of two or more search target groups or target groups of distinct composition of structure, may be used to characterize search target group-defined substrings found within the sets of strings under study, using the structure and composition of a search target group with M major classes to define a search process comprised of a series of M search steps that are to be effected within each of the partition fragments obtained, from the sets of strings under study, using the partition search target of the target group, and where the search process defines patterns, of occurrence within the partition fragments of search targets that are members of the target group, and where partition fragments or regions therein may be characterized by the occurrence of instances, of the process patterns that may be defined by the structure and composition of the target group, and using the structure and composition of a search target group with M major classes to effect a search process comprised of a series of M search steps within each of the partition fragments obtained, from the sets of strings under study, using the partition search target of the target group, and where the search process results in the detection of process-pattern entities, where each process-pattern entity is comprised of a pattern of M search target sites, which together include a search target site representing one member of each of the M major classes in the target group, and where each of the sites must be present and where sites representing higher-ranked members of the same major class must be absent within the relevant search area for the major class in the partition fragment, and where the process pattern entities are obtained as a result of a stepwise search and delimitation process after each site is found that restricts the region of the partition fragment where the next class-specific target-search occurs, and where partition fragments or regions therein may be characterized by the occurrence therein of process-pattern entities, where the process-pattern entities represent instances of the process-patterns that may be defined by the structure and composition of the target group, and where partition fragments or regions therein may be characterized by the occurrence therein of structured query fragments (SQFS) that are fragments bounded any two search target sites in a process-pattern entity, and whose lengths can be calculated by the positions of the constituent sites that comprise the process-pattern entity wherein the SQFs are found, and where the SQFs of particular interest are typically the SQFs bounded by the last two search target sites detected in the identification of a process-pattern entity; and

(5) physical characterization (M6) of a **sample** of PN's of the same general type.

USE - M1 to M6 are useful for identifying, classifying, comparing, generating and/or separating fragments derived from one or more physical **samples** of PN's. They can also be used in computational and laboratory methods and **databases** for analyzing textual and biological sequence information.

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Title Terms: CHARACTERISTIC; IDENTIFY; TEXT; PHYSICAL; STRUCTURE; QUERY; FRAGMENT; USEFUL; ANALYSE; TEXT; INFORMATION

Derwent Class: B04; D16; J04; S03; S05; T01

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XRPX Acc No: N02-170482

Management device for partition table of database has addition section which replaces existing partition table of database based on extracted partition definition information

Patent Assignee: NEC CORP (NIDE)
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
JP 2002041333	A	20020208	JP 2000222669	A	20000724	200228 B

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Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
JP 2002041333	A		6	G06F-012/00	

Abstract (Basic): JP 2002041333 A

NOVELTY - A **definition** information extraction section obtains the **partition definition** information used in a new **partition** to be replaced and added to the existing partition of the partition table of a **database**. An addition section replaces the existing partition of the partition table of the **database** with the new **partition** based on the extracted **partition definition** information.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for a **database** partition table management method.

USE - For partition table of **database**

ADVANTAGE - Enables automatic replacement and addition of new partition to existing partition of partition table of **database**. Maintains improvement of a disc in input-output performance by maintaining distribution condition of partition, thereby preventing data overflow of a predetermined area.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the **sample** of script production of a partition addition. (Drawing includes non-English language text).

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Title Terms: MANAGEMENT; DEVICE; PARTITION; TABLE; **DATABASE** ; ADD; SECTION ; REPLACE; EXIST; PARTITION; PARTITION; TABLE; **DATABASE** ; BASED; EXTRACT ; PARTITION; DEFINE; INFORMATION

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-012/00

File Segment: EPI

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013499895 **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2000-671836/200065
XRPX Acc No: N01-012555

Restoration of database in a computer, involves applying modifications in log file to copied objects, including table index and partition index, during one pass through log file

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)
Inventor: COURTER D K; HU M; KUNIOKA-WEIS L M; MAJITHIA T; MATAMOROS D A; RUDDY J A; WANG Y

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
US 6119128	A	20000912	US 9850554	A	19980330	200065 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 9850554 A 19980330

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
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Abstract (Basic): US 6119128 A

NOVELTY - The method involves copying objects, including the table index and partitioning index, from the secondary data storage device to the database on the primary data storage device after receiving a recovery indicator. Modifications in the log file are applied to the copied objects, including the table index and partitioning index, during one pass through the log file.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - The method begins by **copying** different objects in the **database** from the primary data storage device to the secondary storage device, in which the table index is used to locate data in a table while the **partitioning** index **defines** the scope of each **partition** and assigns a row of the table to respective partition. Modifications to the objects are logged in the log file. The recovery indicator shows the required recovery of objects in the database. INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

(a) the restoration apparatus used on the database of a computer;
(b) and the manufacture of the computer program carrier used in database restoration.

USE - Used in computer-implemented database systems and in recovering different types of objects with one pass of the log.

ADVANTAGE - Provides recovery for partitions, partitioning indexes and table indexes simultaneously. Requires only one pass of log file to apply modifications to database.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the recovery system for database in computer.

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Title Terms: RESTORATION; DATABASE; COMPUTER; APPLY; MODIFIED; LOG; FILE;
COPY; OBJECT; TABLE; INDEX; PARTITION; INDEX; ONE; PASS; THROUGH; LOG;
FILE

Derwent Class: T01; T03

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-012/00

File Segment: EPI

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WPI Acc No: 2000-330827/200029

XRPX Acc No: N00-249079

Provision method for continuous database service and scalable query performance uses active redundant copies, redundancy group and several computing system partitions, each group manages database schema replication in partitions

Patent Assignee: NCR INT INC (NATC); NCR CORP (NATC)

Inventor: ANTOUN S Z; BLEVINS T J; DEMPSTER P B; MACDONALD R J; RAMSEY D A;

ROBINSON I M; STELLWAGEN R G

Number of Countries: 027 Number of Patents: 003

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
EP 992909	A2	20000412	EP 99307381	A	19990917	200029 B
JP 2000137694	A	20000516	JP 99278115	A	19990930	200032
US 6263433	B1	20010717	US 98163708	A	19980930	200142

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 98163708 A 19980930

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

EP 992909 A2 E 14 G06F-011/14

Designated States (Regional): AL AT BE CH CY DE DK ES FI FR GB GR IE IT

LI LT LU LV MC MK NL PT RO SE SI

JP 2000137694 A 12 G06F-015/177

US 6263433 B1 G06F-009/445

Abstract (Basic): EP 992909 A2

NOVELTY - The method has several computing systems connected

together via a network each comprising one or more **computing** system **partitions** . A redundancy group has a **computing** system and several **computing** system **partitions** , with each redundancy group managing the **replication** of the **database** schema within the **computing** system and **computing** system **partitions** within the redundancy group.

USE - For the provision of continuous database service and scalable query performance using active redundant copies.

ADVANTAGE - Provides a system with reasonable development costs and implementation schedules that does not sacrifice the benefits of open systems.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing shows a block diagram of the hardware environment that could be used.

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Title Terms: PROVISION; METHOD; CONTINUOUS; DATABASE; SERVICE; QUERY; PERFORMANCE; ACTIVE; REDUNDANT; COPY; REDUNDANT; GROUP; COMPUTATION; SYSTEM; PARTITION; GROUP; MANAGE; DATABASE; REPLICA; PARTITION

Derwent Class: T01; U21

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-009/445; G06F-011/14; G06F-015/177

International Patent Class (Additional): G06F-017/30

File Segment: EPI

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WPI Acc No: 1998-609854/199851

Related WPI Acc No: 1996-300843; 1999-539789

XRPX Acc No: N98-474443

Replicated object management method for hierarchical network database - involves determining object IDs of target and its parent objects, and combining object IDs to form database-wide object ID

Patent Assignee: NOVELL INC (NOVE-N)

Inventor: IZATT L; OLDS D R; PRASAD R

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
US 5832487	A	19981103	US 94357466	A	19941215	199851 B
			US 958671	P	19951215	
			US 96764236	A	19961214	

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 958671 P 19951215; US 94357466 A 19941215; US 96764236 A 19961214

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
US 5832487	A		15	G06F-017/30	CIP of application US 94357466 Provisional application US 958671 CIP of patent US 5608903

Abstract (Basic): US 5832487 A

The method involves obtaining a replica ID (102) which identifies the **replica** relative to other **replica** in **database** . The **replica** ID and an integer value (104) are used to form a partition-wide object ID for target object.

The integer value is calculated by event counter value (108), pseudo-random value (110), time stamp value (112), GUID value (114). The **partition** -wide object ID is **determined** for each parent object of target object. The parent and child object IDs are combined to form database-wide object ID.

USE - In distributed digital network.

ADVANTAGE - Unique identifier of database is not updated during updation of object name. Does not allow distinct object to have same IDs.

Dwg.5/11

Title Terms: REPLICA; OBJECT; MANAGEMENT; METHOD; HIERARCHY; NETWORK; DATABASE; DETERMINE; OBJECT; TARGET; PARENT; OBJECT; COMBINATION; OBJECT; FORM; DATABASE; WIDE; OBJECT; ID

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WPI Acc No: 2002-178654/200223

XRPX Acc No: N02-135824

Computer system for object identity and partitioning for user defined extents , has computer program with schema mapper for mapping between object attributes and fields in database table

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)

Inventor: BURROUGHS T K; LEE W D; LUEBBE S C

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
US 6341289	B1	20020122	US 99306518	A	19990506	200223 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 99306518 A 19990506

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
US 6341289	B1		19	G06F-017/00	

Abstract (Basic): US 6341289 B1

NOVELTY - The computer system (100) has a computer program stored in a memory (120) and executed by a processor (110). The computer program includes a schema mapper for mapping between object attributes and fields in a **database** table. The schema mapper defines the source of a partitioning key value and the partitioning key field in the **database** table for storing the partitioning key value.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - The partitioning key value identifies the partition containing the object within a class of objects. The partition also defines the subclass of objects with the class.

INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

(a) the computer program;

(b) and the mapping method between objects and **database** table used to persistently store objects.

USE - For object identity and **partitioning** for user defined extents .

ADVANTAGE - Allows transparent and flexible partitioning of created objects. Allows queries to be performed against partition without requiring user to have any specific knowledge of the partitioning structure. Provides customization and extension quality of framework mechanisms that are valuable to framework consumers because the cost of customizing or extending a framework is much less than the cost of replacing or reworking an existing solution. Allows maximum flexibility in application development and deployment.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the schematic view of the computer system.

Computer system (100)

Processor (110)

Memory (120)

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Title Terms: COMPUTER; SYSTEM; OBJECT; IDENTIFY; PARTITION; USER; DEFINE;

EXTENT; COMPUTER; PROGRAM; MAP; MAP; OBJECT; ATTRIBUTE; FIELD; **DATABASE** ; TABLE

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/00

International Patent Class (Additional): G06F-007/00

File Segment: EPI

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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WPI Acc No: 2001-059525/200107

XRPX Acc No: N01-044410

'Repartitioning of data stored in direct access storage device connected to computer, involves reorganizing identified partitions based on altered partitioning scheme by moving data between identified partitions

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)

Inventor: COURTER D K; DESAI P S; FRISKE C A; GARTH J M; GOUGHERTY K D;

KUNIOKA-WEIS L M; RAIMAN D E; RUDDY J A; WATTS J A; ZEIDENSTEIN K R

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
US 6125370	A	20000926	US 9853246	A	19980401	200107 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 9853246 A 19980401

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
US 6125370	A	8	G06F-017/00	

Abstract (Basic): US 6125370 A

NOVELTY - The adjacent partitions of data that would be affected by the altered partitioning scheme, are identified. Access to each identified partition is restricted, without restricting access to other partitions. The identified partitions are reorganized based on the altered partitioning scheme, by moving data between the identified partitions, while allowing access to other partition.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - The change in partitioning scheme for data is detected during alteration of partitioning index specifying one or more partitions and a limit key for each **partition**. The limit key defines a **range** of values for the **partition**. The adjacent partitions affected by the altered partitioning scheme are identified and reorganized. An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for data repartitioning apparatus.

USE - For data repartitioning in relational **databases** stored in direct access storage devices such as hard disk drive, tape drive, floppy disk drive connected to computer.

ADVANTAGE - Because the rebalancing of data is limited to the affected partition, the repartitioning system provides a technique for rebalancing a subset of partitions without restricting access to unaffected partitions. Enables shifting of data among partitions based on the changed partitioning scheme, reliably.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the flow diagram illustrating the process sequence involved in data repartitioning method.

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Title Terms: DATA; STORAGE; DIRECT; ACCESS; STORAGE; DEVICE; CONNECT; COMPUTER; IDENTIFY; PARTITION; BASED; ALTER; PARTITION; SCHEME; MOVE; DATA; IDENTIFY; PARTITION

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/00

File Segment: EPI

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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011501874 **Image available**

WPI Acc No: 1997-479788/199744

XRFX Acc No: N97-400244

Information handling system for multiprocessor database - has workfile disks which are logically partitioned into multiple groups and shared by logical processors which separately execute mergesort operation

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)

Inventor: WU K; YU P S

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
US 5671405	A	19970923	US 95504160	A	19950719	199744 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 95504160 A 19950719

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes
US 5671405 A 7 G06F-007/06

Abstract (Basic): US 5671405 A

The system includes several logical processors each of which operates under control of an image of an operating system program. A **database** storage system stores data in a predetermined data structure and one or more workfile storage disk store workfiles during mergesort operations. One or more workfile storage disks are shared by one or more logical processors. Mergesort operations are executed on separate logical processors.

The execution involves sorting the data structure into one or more ordered runs and **determining** a logical **partition size** of the workfile storage disks. A least loaded partition is selected and one or more ordered runs are written into the workfile storage disks in the selected partition. The ordered runs are merged into a single sorted run.

ADVANTAGE - Processes efficient concurrent mergesorts. Allows dynamically choose less loaded partition to achieve benefits of load balancing.

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Title Terms: INFORMATION; HANDLE; SYSTEM; MULTIPROCESSOR; **DATABASE** ; DISC; LOGIC; PARTITION; MULTIPLE; GROUP; SHARE; LOGIC; PROCESSOR; SEPARATE; EXECUTE; OPERATE

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-007/06

File Segment: EPI

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011159315 **Image available**

WPI Acc No: 1997-137240/199713

Still-picture registration processor for still-picture database applications - in which image registering part registers information on intersection of each block based on representation colour

Patent Assignee: MATSUSHITA DENKI SANGYO KK (MATU)

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
JP 9016614	A	19970117	JP 95163451	A	19950629	199713 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 95163451 A 19950629

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes
JP 9016614 A 9 G06F-017/30

Abstract (Basic): JP 9016614 A

The still-picture registration processor divides the still- picture data (2) into several blocks separated by **boundary** lines, using a block **partitioning** part (3). A border-line **calculating** part (4) computes a outline-representing point, which is obtained as the intersection of the boundary line and border line of an image, for every boundary-line of each block. When the outline-representing point is obtained at two or more places, a border line simplifying part (5) selects the representation indication of two points from the outline-representing part.

A colour calculating part (6) divides each block into two areas using linear approximation which connects the intersections and computes the allowed colour specification for each area. An image registering part (7) registers the information (8) on the intersection of each block and on each representation colour.

ADVANTAGE - Simplifies display of still-picture data. Enables easy distinction of data. Improves image characteristics. Enables easy digital signal processing and provision of hardware. Improves

, . . ' operativity. Enables high speed processing.

Dwg.1/11

Title Terms: STILL; PICTURE; REGISTER; PROCESSOR; STILL; PICTURE; **DATABASE**
; APPLY; IMAGE; REGISTER; PART; REGISTER; INFORMATION; INTERSECT; BLOCK;
BASED; REPRESENT; COLOUR

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/30

International Patent Class (Additional): G

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX
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013958120 **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2001-442334/200148
XRPX Acc No: N01-327202

**Buffering packets in digital communications system in order to fairly
distribute unused buffer space between connections and traffic flow
groups**

Patent Assignee: NEWBRIDGE NETWORKS CORP (NEWB-N)
Inventor: BONNEAU M; DAVIS T
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
CA 2273291	A1	20001127	CA 2273291	A	19990527	200148 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): CA 2273291 A 19990527

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
CA 2273291	A1	E	37	G06F-012/02	

Abstract (Basic): CA 2273291 A1

NOVELTY - A hierarchy of memory partitions is defined , where each
partitions consists of child partitions . The size of the top
level partitions is set, whilst the nominal partition size for
the child partitions is dynamically computed based on the
congestion of each given child memory partition. The final step is
iterated until all the partition sizes have been set.

USE - For digital communications system e.g. ATM network.

ADVANTAGE - Fairly distributes unused buffer space between
connections and traffic flow groups.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing shows a schematic diagram
of the memory hierarchy in the buffer.

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Title Terms: BUFFER; PACKET; DIGITAL; COMMUNICATE; SYSTEM; ORDER; FAIR;

DISTRIBUTE; BUFFER; SPACE; CONNECT; TRAFFIC; FLOW; GROUP

Derwent Class: T01; W01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-012/02

International Patent Class (Additional): H04L-012/20; H04L-012/56;

H04L-029/02

File Segment: EPI

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013491699 **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2000-663642/200064
XRPX Acc No: N00-491668

**Optimized runtime communication processing in co-/multisimulation
environment, involves limiting synchronizations between solvers to
situation in which simulation is performed based on provided event
information**

Patent Assignee: MENTOR GRAPHICS CORP (MENT-N)
Inventor: BRADLEY R M; EISENHOFER K; NAZARETH K; ODRYNA P; VENKATACHAR A T
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
US 6108494	A	20000822	US 98139215	A	19980824	200064 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 98139215 A 19980824

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
US 6108494	A		17	G06F-009/455	

Abstract (Basic): US 6108494 A

NOVELTY - The optimized direction information of **boundary** nets (425) that satisfy **partitioning** rules, is **determined**. The solvers are synchronized based on determined optimized direction information, in response to event information provided by first solver. The synchronizations between first and other solvers are limited to situations in which simulation is performed by each solvers depending on event information.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - The design source (415) is read upon which first simulator operates. The desired source defines several cells representing a design of the system or a portion of it. The two or more instances of a cell is identified, where respective subset of instances containing one instance but not all of the cell's instances is assigned to a predetermined solvers based upon the set of partitioning rules. The edited design source corresponding to a partition to be stimulated by the first solver and netlist information in format understandable by second solver are generated. The edited design source includes modified cell description of a parent cell with which the cell is associated. The directions associated with boundary nets are accumulated based on corresponding netlist information. Each boundary net has a direction associated with each design partition it connects. An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for optimized runtime communication processing program.

USE - For use in co-/multisimulation environment and electronic design automation.

ADVANTAGE - Since the synchronizations between solvers are limited to situations in which simulation is performed depending on event information from another solver, the runtime is optimized by avoiding unnecessary synchronizations during the simulation session. Increases runtime performance of co-/multisimulation environment by reducing number of connections and traffic between simulators.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the overview of N-way co-/simulation process.

Design source (415)

Boundary net (425)

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Title Terms: COMMUNICATE; PROCESS; CO; ENVIRONMENT; LIMIT; SITUATE;

SIMULATE; PERFORMANCE; BASED; EVENT; INFORMATION

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-009/455

File Segment: EPI

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WPI Acc No: 2000-149525/200014

Related WPI Acc No: 1993-160906; 1995-031801

XRPX Acc No: N00-110757

Document partitioning fractionation method in digital computer for nonhierarchial, linear-time partitioning of corpus of documents by determining partitioning of desired size from ordering

Patent Assignee: XEROX CORP (XERO)

Inventor: CUTTING D R; KARGER D; PEDERSEN J O; TUKEY J W

Number of Countries: 017 Number of Patents: 003

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
EP 980043	A2	20000216	EP 92309402	A	19921015	200014 B
			EP 99203801	A	19921015	
EP 980043	B1	20030507	EP 92309402	A	19921015	200333
			EP 99203801	A	19921015	
DE 69233054	E	20030612	DE 633054	A	19921015	200346
			EP 99203801	A	19921015	

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 91790316 A 19911112

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

EP 980043 A2 E 25 G06F-017/30 Div ex application EP 92309402
Div ex patent EP 542429
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EP 980043 B1 E G06F-017/30 Div ex application EP 92309402
Div ex patent EP 542429
Designated States (Regional): DE FR GB
DE 69233054 E G06F-017/30 Based on patent EP 980043

Abstract (Basic): EP 980043 A2

NOVELTY - The method involves preparing an ordering of a corpus by **determining a partitioning** of a desired **size** from the ordering, and the **partitioning** is further refined.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - Rather than attempting to express this information need as a formal query, the user instead selects a number of the top-level clusters (22A-I) that, from their description, seem relevant to the topic of interest. In this case, the user selects the clusters (22A,22C,22H) labeled 'military history', 'science and industry', and 'American society' to form a reduced corpus (24) of the indicated subset of articles from Grolier's. In the example the cluster labels are idealized.

USE - In a document-clustering-based browsing procedure for a corpus of documents, which is applicable over all natural languages that contain a lexical analysis capability.

ADVANTAGE - Transforms the geometric structure into the logical structure, which represents the semantics carried by the documents. A virtual field separator technique is employed to utilize information carried by a special constituent of documents such as field separators and frames, keeping the number of transformation rules small.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing is an illustrative diagram of preferred embodiment of the Scatter-Gather document browsing method according to an embodiment of the present invention.

reduced corpus (24)

top-level clusters (22A-I)

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Title Terms: DOCUMENT; PARTITION; FRACTIONATE; METHOD; DIGITAL; COMPUTER;
LINEAR; TIME; PARTITION; CORPUS; DOCUMENT; DETERMINE; PARTITION; SIZE;
ORDER

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/30

File Segment: EPI

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012804336 **Image available**

WPI Acc No: 1999-610566/199952

XRPX Acc No: N99-449882

Partition creation and deletion method in data storage device

Patent Assignee: COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP (COPQ)

Inventor: ARMOLD M W; DICKSON C H; HARSANY J S; MARLER A T

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
US 5974567	A	19991026	US 97879912	A	19970620	199952 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 97879912 A 19970620

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
US 5974567	A		20	G06F-011/22	

Abstract (Basic): US 5974567 A

NOVELTY - An user partition is created. A ghost partition overlapping the user partition is created. Diagnostic software is transferred to ghost partition. The ghost partition is disabled after determining that ghost partition is not required.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - Ghost partition is adapted to contain diagnostic software and download verification software. Maximum and minimum **partition size** is **determined** for the ghost **partition** and ghost **partition size** is allocated appropriately. An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for partition creation and deletion program storage device.

USE - In data storage device with diagnostic system e.g. multiplatter disk drive.

ADVANTAGE - Avoids need to set up large system partition and avoids wasting disk space associated with manufacturing diagnostic, as no master boot records for any of user or system partition is modified during processing.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the flow chart illustrating partition creation and deletion method.

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Title Terms: PARTITION; CREATION; DELETE; METHOD; DATA; STORAGE; DEVICE

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-011/22

International Patent Class (Additional): G06F-011/267

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WPI Acc No: 1997-444473/199741

XRPX Acc No: N97-370100

Automatic size calculation method for partition members in rooms - involves computing size of partition member by selecting one among basic specification stored in microcomputer, corresponding to measured size of room space

Patent Assignee: KOMANI KK (KOMA-N)

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
JP 9203225	A	19970805	JP 9637123	A	19960130	199741 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 9637123 A 19960130

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

JP 9203225 A 3 E04H-001/00

Abstract (Basic): JP 9203225 A

The method uses a laser type distance measuring equipment (1) which is connected to a microcomputer (2). The size of room space is measured using a laser beam irradiated from the distance measuring equipment. A number of partition member basic specifications are stored in the microcomputer.

The **size** of a **partition member** is **computed** by selecting one among the number of stored basic specifications corresponding to measured size of room space.

ADVANTAGE - Enables to deduce **size** of each **partition member** automatically based on **size** of room. Shortens **measurement** time. Avoids generation of mistake in distance measurement work.

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Title Terms: AUTOMATIC; SIZE; CALCULATE; METHOD; PARTITION; MEMBER; ROOM; COMPUTATION; SIZE; PARTITION; MEMBER; SELECT; ONE; BASIC; SPECIFICATION; STORAGE; MICROCOMPUTER; CORRESPOND; MEASURE; SIZE; ROOM; SPACE

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Distributed application creation for object oriented environment -
involves displaying application layout for user manipulation of objects
with internal representation of objects and boundaries allowing creation
of server code structure

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The object oriented application creation method involves displaying
application layout illustrating object parts and links. The application
is **defined** internally. At least one **partition boundary** is
displayed and represented internally in response to user action.

At least one program object is relocated so that it's connection
with other objects cross at least one **partition boundary** and
defining the connections as distributed in the internal connection.
Client and server objects are determined from the distributed
connections. In response to a user commit action server code structure
is generated with a distributed interface for each server. A client
stub is generated with the distributed interface for each client part
corresponding to each server.

ADVANTAGE - Allows effective utilisation of network resources.

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Title Terms: DISTRIBUTE; APPLY; CREATION; OBJECT; ORIENT; ENVIRONMENT;
DISPLAY; APPLY; LAYOUT; USER; MANIPULATE; OBJECT; INTERNAL; REPRESENT;
OBJECT; BOUNDARY; ALLOW; CREATION; SERVE; CODE; STRUCTURE

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